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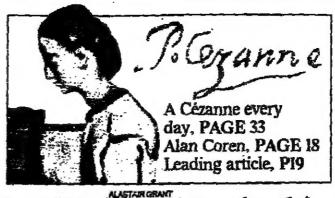
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A movie bloodbath

Desperado, where they have to mop up the gore FILMS, P31





Blair condemns 'Tory lobby fodder'

Notice to quit for hereditary peers in Lords

BY PHILIP WEBSTER, POLITICAL EDITOR

hereditary peers on notice to quit yesterday with his strongest pledge yet that a Labour government would swiftly end a system under which people wielded power by right of birth, not of merit or election:

He put forward a two stage plan for Lords reform under which the right of about 750 hereditary peers to sit and you in the Upper House would be scrapped in an early piece of constitutional legislation. Most of them were just Tory voting fodder, he said in one of the fiercest attacks by a Labour leader on the hereditary principle. Some peers were in the Lords merely because their ancestor was the mistress of a monarch, he

The aim would be first to turn the Lords into a genuine body of the distinguished and meritorious" before moving to nd chamber which would ressin some peers chosen ei-ther for their expertise in

reform will not be a priority for a first Labour term.

Mr Blair's onslaught on the oddest and least defensible part of the constitution. threw Lords reform into the centre of the political azena. Earlier in the day, Brian Mawhinney, the Conservative Party chairman, defended the Lords as a place that worked, a hardworking and serious reforming chamber that pro-

TONY BLAIR placed Britain's vided a vital check on the

Mr Blair's vision of a newlook second chamber came in the course of a wide-ranging speech on the constitution, setting out Labour's plans for Scottish and Welsh devolution, declaring his own sup-port for elected mayors for London and other big cities, and confirming his intention to bring in an elected authority for London and a freedom of information Act. He said however, that Labour would not try to do it all at once in one great reform Bill. The

measures could be achieved

only over a period of time.

Delivering the John Smith memorial lecture in London.

Mr Blair said it was wrong and absurd that people should wield power by right of birth. What is more, there are over 300 official. Tory hereditary peers, 12 Labour and 24 Lib eral Democrat Hundreds more rarely appear, but if they did, we can be sure very few would side with Labour or the

Fory peers did not just use ds as a drinking and dhing club; they voted and the poil tax, "file most expensive fiasco in fiscal history", would never have become law without the hereditary peers.
There are no conceivable grounds for maintaining this

system, " he said. Mr Blair confirmed that Labour was prepared to allow some of those hereditary peers who made regular contribu-tions in the Lords to become

life peers. The law lords would

In remarks confirming that Labour's plans for the second elected chamber are far from complete, Mr Blair said that whatever the final balance between election and merit in that chamber, it was impossi-ble to justify doing nothing about a manifest constitutional unfairness, namely membership of the legislature on the basis of birth. He asked: "Are: we going to continue alone of all the democracies to have laws passed by an upper chamber, a majoroty of whose members are thre by birth not merit, perhaps because 300 years ago their ancestor was

the mistress of a monarch?

Dr Mawhinney said that removing hereditary peers would deprive Parliament of a range of experience that had and knowledge that otherwise would be missing. He said that Labour's distaste for the hereditaty principle was re-flected in the attitude that many socialists had towards the Royal Family. The threat to the Lords could conceivably pose a threat to our entire

Elsewhere in his speech, Mi Blair repeated his pledge to hold a referendum on proportional representation. While making plain that he had yet to be persuaded of the case for change, he pleased some Liberal Democrats by his readiness to be convinced.

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Brigadier Parker Bowles and Rosemary Pitman after their wedding in Chelsea

Parker Bowles remarries

BRIGADIER Andrew Parker Bowles married Rosemary Pitman, a divorced mother of three grown-up sons, in a tenminute ceremony at Chelsea Register Office in London

yesterday. Brigadier Parker Bowles. 56, whose ex-wife Camilla is a close triend of the Prince of Wales, declined to kiss his new wife, saying the couple were too old for that sort of thing in public, "She is marvellous. What else can I say?" he said. while the new Mrs Parker Bowles said that the ceremony

had been very nice. Unlike his first wedding in 1973, which was attended by 900 people including Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother. Princess Margaret and Princess Anne, there were just five

guests at vesterday's ceremony - his children Laura, 18. and Tom, 21, and Mrs Pitman's sons Henry, 33, William, 26 and Tom, 30. They all signed the marriage

Mrs Pitman's first husband, Lietenant-Colonel Hugh Pitman, is a former cavalry officer from the same regi ment as Brigadier Parker Bowles. He is remarried.

Lockerbie opens its homes to victims of the snow

BY GILLIAN BOWDITCH SCOTLAND CORRESPONDENT

THE people of Lockerbie. whose community was devastated seven years ago by Britain's worst air disaster, won praise yesterday for opening their homes to hundreds of motorists stranded by blizzards over the past three days.

About 150 motorists were offered beds in homes and

stranded travellers were ferried in four-wheel vehicles to emergency accommodation. Local people were digging cars out of the snow through-

out the night. Police in Dumfries and Galloway, the worst hit area in southern Scotland, worked all yesterday to clear the roads of almost 1,000 vehicles stranded on the A74 near the town.

Sergeant David Irving, of Lockerbie police, who coan emergency centre in the town, said: The people in and around Lockerbie have been incredible. Their generosity is beyond belief."

Around 50 locals volunteered to run the centre - they supplied hot meals and drinks and handed out sleeping bags supplied by the Army.

Forecasters believe the worst of the snow has passed, but predict further light falls by the weekend coupled with high winds. Freezing fog is expected to make driving conditions hazardous for early morning commuters as far south as London today. A spokesman for the London Weather centre said of the gales forecast." The weekend looks a bit wild."

While most of Scotland, Wales, and western England continued to clear up yesterday after some of the heaviest snowfalls in 50 years, the far South West was in turn hit by blizzards.

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Dame Pauline: rejects

FO's top woman quits to join bank

By Michael Binyon and Patricia Tehan

DAME Pauline Neville-Jones. 56, the most senior woman in the National Westminster Bank after rejecting two senior posts - as ambassador to Bonn, and special adviser to the Prime Minister.

Her abrupt departure is a blow to the Foreign Office, which had hoped that her promotion would have undercut criticism that it does not offer proper opportunities to

Dame Pauline will take up her new full-time job as a managing director in charge of developing NatWest Market's international strategy in June. She will follow her former chief, Douglas Hurd, who joined the bank as deputy chairman on an annual salary of £250,000 after resigning as Foreign Secretary last summer. Her basic salary is likely to be just under £200,000. Her performance-related work on orivatisation issues could dou ble that.

Malcolm Rifkind, the Foreign Secretary, yesterday praised the key role she played as political director in the Bosnia negotiations and the Dayton peace accord. His words barely conceal the intense irritation in the Foreign Office at suggestions that she has been shabbily treated or Continued on page 2, col 4

Rapist given five life sentences

A rapist who attacked a young woman days after he was discharged from a psychiatric unit was given five life sen-

tences yesterday.
The trial judge criticised a hospital management's deci-sion not to renew a detention order on Glenn Grant against the advice of his consultants, social workers and mursing

Tunnel rail link finance inquiry

Financial irregularities at Union Railways, the com-pany that designed the 13 billion Channel Tunnel rail link, are to be the subject of the latest investigation into rail privatisation. The con-tract to build the high-speed link is that to be awarded by the Government within

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Speaker joins Scott row BY NIGEL WILLIAMSON, WHITEHALL CORRESPONDENT

Speaker of the Commons. stepped into the growing row over the Scott report yesterday by supporting Labour derids for an early sight of the 1,800 page document.

The Speaker's intervention

came only hours before Sir. Richard Scott said that he had been put under pressure by the Government into giving ministers the report on the arms to lraq affair seven days before it will be available to the Opposition and the media. To the Government's obvious embarrassment, Miss Boothroyd said it would be "much better" if MPs were

report.
MPs and journalists have been told that only a handful of ministers and senior officials will see the five-volume

afternoon when it will be presented to the Commons by Industry Secretary. Sir Richard said on BBC2's

Newswight last night that he thought his report should have been released to Government, Opposition and the media simultaneously. But it was represented to me very strongly by the Government that that was impracticable." Amid tight security the first

copies of the report were delivered to the Cabinet Office yesterday alternoon. The Gov-ernment is believed to have 'asked for 20 copies while Sir given advance copies of the Richard originally offered six. The number delivered yester-day was said to be somewhere in the middle." The Government is using

BETTY BOOTHROYD, the report before next Thursday the next week to "co-ordinate" its response.

Miss Boothroyd said that she had no power to intervene but she supported Labour demands for the report to be disclosed early. She said: "In my experience the auestioning on any statement is much hetter focused when some steps have been taken to enable Opposition spokesmen and minority party spokesmen to have access some time in advance to the text of complicated reports."

Downing Street said that it would consider the Speaker's Sir Richard said that no one, including ministers, should have been given prior access to his findings.

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'Cut-price' jets fear as 189 die in crash

By HARVEY ELLIOTT, AIR CORRESPONDENT

A BOEING 757 jet which crashed off the coast of the Dominican Republic killing all 189 people on board had not had a formal go-shead to make the fatal flight to Germany. Most of the 176 tourists to

die were German and early, unfounded, fears that the aircraft had not been insured led the country's transport ministry to consider action against the Turkish-owned airline and the tour operator. Last night about 59 bodies had been recovered.

The crash renewed fears over the growing use of cutprice aircraft leased from third countries by hard-pressed holiday companies. Britain's charter airline industry has

lobbied hard for tighter controls over "flag of conve-

nience" jets. After an Algerian-registered Boeing 737 crashed at Coventry airport, the Department of Transport announced last month that it was tightening regulations on the use of foreign aircraft and crew. Yesterday's crash is certain

to bring new demands for even stricter controls to be imposed throughout Europe. The Boeing 757, considered one of the salest and most reliable aircraft to be built, took off normally. After four minutes, it appeared to turn back towards the airport before diving into the sea.

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Thousands freeze to view Cézanne

By DALYA ALBERGE AKTS CORRESPONDENT

CEZANNE fever hit London yesterday as thousands of people descended on the Tate Gallery. A queue stretched the length of the main hall, through the main entrance and down the steps, before making its way round the block towards

the underground station. It was at least a quarter of a mile long.
By the end of the day, which included an evening viewing an estimated \$,000 people had seen the new exhibition. However long the wait, they came away thinking it was worth it.

stood for up to 90 minutes, in freezing times and they were delayed by two conditions, cursing the gallery for not hours. By the time they were likely to see allowing them to wait inside. conditions, cursing the gallery for not allowing them to wait inside.

These were "friends" of the gallery who, for an annual £35 subscription, see exhibitions first on a "friends" day" and have unlimited access to the shows. Several said that they did not expect to have to queue on "their day". But then the Tate has 13,500 friends, each of whom

can bring a guest.
Three refired women, who had come up from Cornwall, were particularly distraught at the sight of the queue. It had not been their day: having set out at finking it was worth it.

To get in, though, people suffered they station, their train broke down three

the train home again, said Angela Curgenven: "It's hearthreaking." Once inside, people found something else to complain about the heat. "It's like

a sauna," said a guard. But whatever the frustrations, Cézanne soothed tempers. Colin Makey, a garden-er, said he would have waited for many more hours, "days even. It's fabulous". Dana Tatum had come from Gloucestershire: "It was worth it."

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HOME NEWS

Sir Robin's master strokes leave backbenchers in deep end

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SENDING in the Head of the countered him some weeks Home Civil Service to be interrogated by a committee of backbench MPs is rather like inviting an SAS captain to face assault from a team of morris dancers. Sir Robin Butler, Cabinet Secretary, was yesterday questioned by the Commons Select Committee on the Civil Service. They might better have spent the day

This was the first time I had seen the tall and athletic Sir Robin with his clothes on. Along with most of Britain.

ago, appearing in a Channel 4 documentary about a lido in Brixton. Its regular habitués were interviewed, including two lesbian ladies and the Head of the Home Civil Service. He was seen executing a graceful breast-stroke. He was also filmed clad in a pink towel, which at one point seemed close to slipping.

Yesterday at Westminster, Sir Robin's breast-stroke was effortless. Far from making a splash he hardly ruffled the water. Towel never slipped.

Radice (Lab, Durham N), had hoped to probe a little beneath the surface of change in the Civil Service. Butler was not playing their game. But with such skill was he not playing that we were not even conscious of the refusal. Afterwards, one could not remember a word he had said.

MPs took turns at trying to pin him down. I studied each reply, seeking a pattern we might commend to any ambifact, Sir Robin's approach is almost formulaic



MATTHEW PARHS POLITICAL SKETCH

what I call A Talent to Diffuse: ☐ Be relentlessly pleasant.☐ Sound bluff. "Grapple" with the question. Avoid the weasely Yes, Minister style. ☐ Use self-deprecation. ☐ Don't deny: play down.

☐ Insist that whatever has been cited is not new, and has ☐ Never contradict ministers. Explain what they really meant to say. .

☐ Describe the unworkable as "an aim". □ When asked for a solution. repeat the problem. If pushed, cite a need for security in public buildings

Was privatisation "political or managerial", David Han-

son (Lab, Delyn) asked. "I

Sir Robin said, earnestly. Had Mr Heseltine made a difference, asked Tony Wright (Lab. Cannock and Burntwood). "His activities impinge on me," Sir Robin said. What about Heseltine's idea to recruit from the professions? "I do agree with the aim." Giles Radice then suggested that Heseltine had trouble reading. Sir Robin was afflicted by a

Was it advisable to combine his jobs as Cabinet Secretary and Civil Service head? "Yes, the absence of a better

sudden deafness

problems, but seen by some as needed for the security of problems.

Performance-related pay? We've had it for years, Butler said. A huge cut in Civil Service costs? "A great challenge." Did it cause tension? There is always tension." Were civil servants policymakers or (as Stephen Dorrell had claimed) purchasers?

Ambassadors on boards? "We've done it for 20 years."
Why couldn't the Civil Service Handbook be placed in the Commons library? Ah, "nothgainst do public buildings".
Only once did the towel seem close to slipping. Asked about a scheme to let privatesector workers try their hand at Whitehall, Sir Robin assured MPs they would be placed "where they can't do much damage drafting an-swers to MPs' letters, and Parliamentary Questions". The committee bristled. Their drafts have to be checked," Sir Robin added, securing the towel. But the frisson

Scientists

link

power

lines

to cancer

BY NICE NUTTALL

SCIENTISTS have discon

ered a link between high voltage power lines and some

open the way to scores of legal

actions against electricity

Researchers at Bristof

University have added scien-

tific weight to claims that

people living near pylons and power lines are exposed to a

greater than average risk of

lung cancers and leukaemia

Their evidence challenges

claims by the National Radio

logical Protection Board that

the risk is negligible.

The research, funded by the

Medical Research Council

and published next week in

the International Journal of

Radiation Biology, suggests

there is a link between power

cables and radioactive radon

gas, found naturally in many homes. Radon, which affects

thousands of homes built on

granite in counties including Derbyshire, Devon, Com-wall, Somerset, and North-

amptionshire, decays into highly radioactive particles which are a known cancer,

risk. The Department of the

Environment has surveyed

250,000 homes in areas at risk-

and has offered advice on

Duck

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companies and suppliers.

forms of cancer which could

'People will worry that if Blair goes for us, it will be the Queen next'

Peers defend right to play their part in ruling country

By ALICE THOMSON, POLITICAL REPORTER

THEIR Lordships were eating elled tearooms at the Palace of Westminster when news came through that most of them might soon be banished.

Although the hereditary peers - more than 750 of them are entitled to share the gentleman's club on the banks of the Thames with 300 working colleagues — knew that the Labour Party was "conniving" to scrap them and introduce some sort of elected chamber. they had not realised how strongly Tony Blair felt about the issue and how quickly the change might come Their ancestors had won

their titles, often centuries before, through gallant deeds, sycophancy, refurbishing the country's coffers or being born on the wrong side of the royal sheets. Now they might have to abandon their palace before the end of the century.

Yesterday they admitted they would be an anomaly in Mr Blair's "classless Britain". They said they were undemo-cratic, indefensible and male dominated, but they strongly defended their right to continue playing a part in the running of the country.

Most thought Mr Blair's reference to them all being ancestors of mistresses to kings was "a hoot". But they were horrified by the Labour leader's claim that the hereditary Lords used the Palace of Westminster like a club. They pointed out that they could quite happily use White's or Prant's across the park in Piccadilly if all they wanted was some convivial banter and a place to smoke cigars, drink whisky and play bridge.

They denied that they were there just to pick up their attendence allowance and maybe take a bath before their dinner parties, although one peer privately admitted: "A few people here really abuse the place, but they are frowned

Most said the reason they went to the Lords was for the "stimulating debates" and in order to act as a balance "to the rowdier end of the Palace". The 4th Marquess of Read-



Charles II: 15 children

democracy, but I now see the wisdom of the Upper House. We are a wonderful, eclectic mix who can talk on the most extraordinary range of subjects. We have also been brought up with a sense of responsibility to govern. You don't have to teach a hereditary peer the ropes, he was born with an understanding of his duties."

He added: "We do a good job of clipping the wings of the extreme Right and Left and

speaking up for common sense. Winning the vote this week on keeping sport on terrestrial TV was an obvious example."

Lord Reading's Lord Reading's great-grandfather was a hard-working Jewish lawyer who won his title through merit. "He certainly never flirted with

The 3rd Earl Kitchener of Khartoum and of Broome said: "It may be anachronistic and illogical that I have a say in running the country, but I take this job very seriously. I would be loath to see us disappear and I am not sure the country would like it either. I have never met anyone who has attacked me over the Lords but then maybe I wouldn't meet people like that,

Another hereditary Tory peer said: "Tony Blair is a decent enough chap but I think he will come unstuck on this one. A great many people have tried to reform us, but it's harder than you think. We are like limpets and we have a great deal of history on our side. People will worry that if he goes for us, it will be the

None of the 12 Labour ment, but the working peer Weatherill, former Lord Speaker of the House and now convener of the mostly heredi cross-benchers, said: The hereditary cross-benchers are often extremely hardworking here. They spend hours trying to unravel messy Bills from the Commons and

vote. They are badly paid but

The 7th Earl of Onslow,

they do it because they feel

they owe it to their country."

however, is one who is willing to become extinct. "I find it extremely difficult to justify the fact that, because one of my ancestors got pissed with often stay extremely late to George IV, I can boss you all















How philandering monarch left his mark

TONY BLAIR'S suggestion that Brit-ain's most élite poblemen owe their status to sexual favours of past mon-archs can be traced back to the philanderings of Charles II. The King sired 15 children by a variety of women, some of whom were distinctly low born, and often gave out titles to their offspring in

return for keeping their counsel Apart from the Royal Family the

British peerage - has fallen to 24. There are four semi-royal dukes who inherited their titles through the bastard sons of Charles II, who was responsible for the biggest growth in dukedoms.
The sons of Barbara Villiers, v

became Duchess of Cleveland, Nell Gwyn, Louise de Keronalle and Lucy of Grafton, St Albans, Richmond and number of dukes - the highest rank of Gordon, and Buceleuch and Queens-

and Queensberry dates back to 1633. He has been paralysed since a hunting accident 25 years ago. The first Duke of Richmond.

Albans owes his title, dating from 1684 to the King's affair with Britain's best

about something. There is a

feeling of co-operation." He added: "I don't believe you

could get that in an elected

ways of curbing the gas.

The electrical field around power lines is believed to add charge to the radon particles, causing them to adhere to curtains, clothes and furniknown orange seller, Nell Gwyn. ture. This in turn may increase the chance of the distinguished and would be a tary peers make. The advanparticles being breathed in and contaminating the lungs tage the Lords have is that there is a huge care about the and the bloodstream. place from all peers. There is a

The full findings of the research will be awaited by residents of Fishpond Bottom in Dorset who blame nearly power cables for a high incidence of illnesses from auxiety and depression to epilepsy and brain tomours. A High Court case is pend-

ing in which Ray and Denise Studholme, of Little Lever, Bolton, Greater Manchester. claim the death from lenkae. mia of their son Simon, 13, is linked to his bedroom being next to an electricity substation. The electricity firm Norweb is contesting the case. John Stather of the Nat-

ional Radiological Protection Board said last might it was pure speculation" to sugges that people might breathe in larger amounts of the parti-cles because of electric fields



his leukaemia death

will stand up for their herediabout. I would be totally in tary colleagues. Lord Archer favour of deeply thought out. of Weston-Super-Mare said: mot and branch reform of the "Some hereditary peers never second chamber. I have no attend but many are extremely High-flyer quits

Continued from page I that her failure to win the job of ambassador to Paris was the evidence of discrimination

against women. Until June she will remain at the Foreign Office but will be seconded to Carl Bildt. the Yugoslavia. Her job will be to head the Brussels liaison office and implement the civilian arrangements in the peace

The Foreign Office did what it could to stop her leaving, even proposing a specially created Cabinet Office post for a year until the present ambassador to Bonn retires. She would have been the first woman to head a Grade One Embassy, of which there are only seven in the world.

Dame Pauline, created a dame in the last New Year's Honours List, said she was taking the job because "I believe it is the right move is make at this time". She admitted that frustration with her situation at the Foreign Office had played a part in her decision. She wanted to become ambassador to Paris, but the position went instead to Michael Jay. a Deputy Under-Secretary in charge of relations with Europe and economic affairs.

objection to that at all and if

that means the hereditary

peerage is not allowed any

Many of the working peers

say, so be it."

The Foreign Office said her move did not reflect on the promotion chances of women who last year accounted for 57 per cent of the intake into its fast stream. Dame Pauline, a strong-

willed diplomat with a reputation for intimidating her staff, is a respected but not popular figure in Whitehall. Her relations with Sir John Coles, the Permanent Under-Secretary, are said to have been uneasy. But she has won high praise for her robust defence of British and European interests in standing up to Richard Holbrooke, the American negotiator who attempted to shut the Europeans out of the Dayton peace

negotiations. She was prevented by civil service rules by speaking publicly about her treatment, but it prompted her mother, Dr Celia Winn, to accuse the Foreign Office of discriminat-

Tories reject Irish peace conference

BY NICHOLAS WATT AND ARTHUR LEATHLEY

LONDON and Dublin were at loggerheads again last night, this time over Irish proposals for a Bosnian-style nference to break the deadlocked peace process.

Michael Ancram, the Nor-

Lord Winston, who is pro-

fessor of fertility studies at

London University, was re-

cently appointed a working

Labour peer. He said: "I am

much more impressed than I

expected to be by the contribu-tion that some of the heredi-

thern Ireland Minister, said the idea was "at best premature" while Unionists and their Tory supporters at Westminster condemned the proposal as "mischievous" and a desperate ploy". Dick Spring, the Irish For-

eign Minister, proposed that the two governments should invite all political parties in Northern Ireland to two days of intensive talks under the same roof, as President Clinton had done at Dayton, Ohio, with the warring parties in Bosnia. Mr Spring, who dis-cussed his idea in Dublin with Sir Patrick Mayhew, the Northern Ireland Secretary. said that no party would be forced to sit down with their proposal is concerned."

opponents at the talks, which would be held at Stormont The governments would then shuttle between Unionists and Sinn Fein to try to pave the way for all-party talks. Irish ministers are concerned that the peace process could unravel if Sinn Fein is not brought into inclusive talks by the end of this month.

British officials scoffed at Mr Spring's idea, saying it was unrealistic. They insisted that elections provided the best way of moving towards all-party talks if the IRA refused to disarm.

The Ulster Unionist MP Ken Maginnis said: "The silly thing about Mr Spring's mischievous proposal lies in the fact that terrorist Serb leaders were not permitted to attend the Dayton conference, So I assume similar constraints will be imposed on certain people as far as Mr Spring's

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Peer seeks curbs on use of mobile phones BY A STAFF REPORTER do about Arthur Scargill, who mobile phones in a restricted

A PROMINENT member of the Shadow Cabinet plagued fellow travellers as he made almost continuous mobile telephone calls on a recent rail journey between London and Edinburgh, the House of Lords was told yesterday.

The Conservative peer Lord Campbell of Croy told the House that the only "light relief" for the other passengers had been when the politician, whom he did not identify, made loud suggestions as to what the Labour Party should

challenged Labour in the recent Hemsworth by-election with his new left-wing party. Lord Campbell cited the case in pressing the Government to back a code of conduct for the use of mobile tele-

phones in public places.

Lord Fraser of Carmyllie, Trade and Industry Minister of State, voiced support for the idea of having areas on trains, in restaurants and other public places for mobile phone users. But he dismissed a code of conduct as unnecessary. Lord Campbell said several

area was a serious nuisance. While they may be necessary in the modern, competitive business world, shouldn't special areas be designated, especially on trains, where passengers suffer unduly especially when voices are raised to shouting when they

pass through tunnels?" Lord Fraser said many people had suffered the "intolerable situation of being forced to listen to "extremely boring telephone conversations. "It would be polite if

nitch," he said. "It might be desirable if trains and restaurants did introduce some arrangements of their own."

He said things overheard on the top deck of a bus would often be "brilliant" opening lines for a novel, but he had never heard anything in a mobile phone user's conversthat caught his ation imagination.

Lord Beloff, a Tory peer, said people using mobile phones did so to enhance their prestige and should be awardpeople did not engage in these ed an alternative "badge of

importance" to wear so that everyone could be spared the tedium of their conversations. Lord Peston, for Labour, suggested a return to enclosed : telephone boxes into which mobile phone users could step to have their conversations

without disturbing others. Lord Richard, Labour peers' leader, intervened to say this particular problem was likely. to remain until only the next election: "After that, the members of the Shadow Cabinet will be in ministerial cars."

Judge attacks hospital chiefs who freed rapist against doctors' advice

A RAPIST who attacked a young woman days after being discharged from a psy-chiatric unit was given five life sentences yesterday. The trial judge criticised a hospital management's decision not to renew a detention order on Glenn Grant against the advice of his consultants, social workers and nursing staff.

Grant, 27, was micknamed

the Beast of Belgravia by police because of his claim that the turning point in his life was when he glimpsed the area's wealth during a school trip to an art gallery, and decided he had a "mission" to rape white, middle-class

The victim of his new arrack a 26-year-old wine buyer, said last night. "He should not have been let out. They must have been able to see he was still very unbalanced. I was with him for one and a half hours and in that time I knew for certain he was not same. He should never be let out again."

The Old Bailey had heard that Grant, accompanied by his mother, gave himself up at Brixton police station on the day of the rape. He ordered police to call him lesus.

Grant, described as a sexual sadist and paranoid schizophrenic, had already serveden O-year sentence, given in 1984, for raping two women when he was 15. His victims had been a 33-year-old housewife and a a 20-year-old freelance artist. At the time, he said he was jealous of their

During his prison term, he was transferred to the Broadmoor top-security hospital in Berkshire. Once his sentence was served, he was sent to Cane Hill Hospital's Regional Secure Unit, south London, under a Mental Health Act order: in January last year, the hospital decided not to renew the detention order and from that moment he was an informal, voluntary patient. During home and weekend



Grant gave himself up to the police

of violent robberies and aggra-vated burglaries in which three young women were tied up and terrorised with a gun robbed a jewellers in Victoria,

London. Grant had later admitted that he often replaced the medication prescribed to him as an outpatient with crack

He was formally discharge from Cane Hill on April 12 1995 and last seen as an outpatient on April 21. He committed rape four days later, smashing his way into the woman's home and bearing her about the head.

He pulled a knife from her that he would kill her if she streamed. She was raped three times. The victim, who is single and Roman Catholic, gave evidence against her off

Grant, from Brixton, south London, was told that he would not be eligible for parole for 14 years and may aggravated burglary, armed robbery, and having a firearm with interior Richer Forrester to the There he defait that substantial and continuing

Afterwards, the rape victim said: "I am serving a life sentence now, my life has been destroyed. The one thing that has kept me going throughout this is that I want to make sure hie doesn't wreck someone

Things must change so that people like him are not let out unsupervised. I am terri-fied of being on my own now. I never feel safe. When I go to bed at night, I wear tracksuit bottoms and a jumper in case I have to make a quick escape.

"I knew from the moment I saw him that he was imbalanced. In a matter of seconds he would go from one extreme to the other, one minute being violent, the next telling me he loved me and hugging me like I was his girlfriend," she said:

My one hope was to placate him, although I think he is very clever and very manipulative. It would not surprise me if he had managed to convince the doctors that he was better mentally than he really was. This man should not be released again. To my mind, in Broadmoor he would have too much of an easy life with all those luxuries and thosors giving him attention. All this time I am suffering

every day."

She said she was still uneasy with men, but hoped that sufficiently to have the husband and family she has wanted since her youth. "I am still frightened but I

have my dreams. I dream that one day I will have my husband and my own family and be happy. I will not let him take that away from me." Grant, whose mother runs a catering business in London, life had come when he went on a school trip to an art gallery in Belgravia. Detective inspector James Webster, of Brixton 'CID. said: "What turned him

would never be able to achieve people in Belgravia. As he saw it, the only way to redress that imbalance was to rape the women there and take their dignity away from them."

Jodi Berg, chairman of the

Ravensbourne NHS Trust which is responsible for Cane into the circumstances of Grant's discharge had found no evidence of negligence". Fie said: "At the time of discharge. Mr Grant was a voluntary patient and therefore not sub-Mental Health Act. We will be reviewing the results of the enquiry alongside the infor-mation gained as a result of the trial to see if any further lessons can be learnt."

When Grant had served his Oyear sentence he was sec-tioned under the Mental Health Act on the advice of experts and sent to Cane Hill Hospital. When the order expired on January 12, 1995, he appealed against it being renewed. Visiting hospital man-agers saw him and agreed not to renew the order.

A spokeswoman for trust idmitted that medical experts had wanted to renew Grant's Section, keeping him as a patient in hospital. She said: Whilst the responsible medical officer's report supported the renewal of the Section, taking into account all the evidence and information presented on the day the Mental did not feel that the criteria for detention under the Act had been met."

The visiting managers are trained lay people indepen-dent of trust management and act as a tribunal making a decision based on all the evidence, including from the A statement from the trust

dded: "Mr Grant appeared at the hearing and presented extremely well, showed conas a baritone lay clerk." siderable insight into his



Royal chapel 'assumed that female baritone was a man'

BY JOANNA BALE

A VICAR'S wife is claiming sexual discrimination after tay clerk in the Queen's chapel at Windsor Castle.

When her application for the position was turned down, Joan McDonough discovered that staff at St George's Chapel had assumed she was a man. They had written to one of her referees: "This gentleman has recently applied to the Dean and Cazons of Windsor to be considered for appointment

Dr McDenough, 38, said: Wakefield Cathedral, wrote back saying he felt obliged to say I was no gentleman. They stantly assumed that it was only a man that could apply for the job." Dr McDonough, who is studying theology at Leeds University, decided to take the matter to an industrial

tribunal, which opened yes-terday at Reading. Berk-shire, where she was represented by her husband, the Rev Roger Stokes. advertised in the Church

employs 12 men as lay elerks.

have continued his work as a freelance vicar." She had said in her letter of application that she was a baritone — she used to sing with the Royal Choral Society. "I am the deepest-singing woman I

Dr McDonough, of Batley, West Yorkshire, who is claiming sexual discrimination against the Deans and Canons of Windsor, has yet ing from the 14th century.

Muggers jailed for 18 months out after 53 days

BY STEWART TENDLER AND RICHARD FORD

TWO teenage muggers whose sentences were increased from probation to 18 months in jail after police protested against excessive leniency have been released after serving 53 days.

The pair were sent to jail by the Court of Appeal after detectives complained about the original sentence imposed at Southwark Crown Court. The Court of Appeal said the trial judge had failed to recognise that the public needed to be protected from the youths who robbed a man at a cashpoint while on licence from prison where they were serving seniences for another

Robert Barthelmy and Daniel Hobbs, both aged 19 and unemployed, from Highbury, north London, were released last week under a formula which took into account their period on remand and on bail while they appealed against the sentences.

They were convicted last July of attacking a man drawing money from a cash machine on Tottenham Court Road, central London, in May. They the Holborn robbery squad who had been following them as part of a Metropolitan Police campaign

months' probation each and 60 days at an attendance centre but on the same day the Court of Appeal overturned the punishment and sentenced them to 18 months' imprisonment. They were released so tenced to four years or less automatically serves only half the prison term. The prison service also took into account the 85 days they spent on remand awaiting trial and the time between July 1995 and October which the men spent on bail awaiting the appeal. Commander Malcolm Campbell, head of the detective force in northwest London, said: "We are disapcustodial sentence was increased on appeal to 18 months, the two people were freed in so short a time."

Police link widow to TV man's murder

FROM ROGER MAYNARD

THE widow of a Scottish-born television executive who was murdered in Australia nearly four years ago has been named as the only person with a motive for the killing. The claim was made at an

inquest into the death of Richard Diack, who grew up in the Edinburgh area before emigrating in the 1980s. Mr Diack, 41, was blud-geoned to death on a remote:

track in the Blue Mountains, west of Sydney, in 1992. At the inquest police alleged that Peruvian-born Ms Bres-

ciani, a broadcaster, crased

part of a computer disk con-

taining her husband's diary, which gave details of their deteriorating marriage. Detective-Sergeant Graeme Merkel said that "the only person identified with any possible motive was Emelia Bresciani but there was no direct evidence to show she

had any involvement in the

Ms Bresciani said she was hurt by the allegations. "It was very obvious from the beginning that you were treating me as the killer rather than the wife," she told the detective during the hearing in Sydney. The inquest was adjourned:

Duchess denies Bryan's claim to Budgie cash

THE Duchess of York promised yesterday to fight any attempt by John Bryan, her former financial adviser, to claim 10 per cent of her earnings from Bodgie the

Mr Bryan's German lawyers confirmed that they were to seek payment over the cartoon character, for which the Duchess recently signed a-£3 million deal with a consortium of American investors. The Dochess's private office

said last night: "Her Royal Highness The Duchess of York denies absolutely any agreement with Mr Bryan concerning the prospective income from her cartoon character Bodgie. She will therefore ceedings which Mr Bryan might choose to initiate. The 40-year-old Texan busi-

nessman has instructed a Frankfurt firm of solicitors to find out details of the Duchess's American deal, which was announced last month Mr Bryan, who has severe debt problems over the construction collapse of his construction company Oceonics Deutschland, is said to be demanding 10 per cent of global earnings from Budgie, claiming that the Duchess originally promised him one third of income from tele-





The Duchess originally promised to hand over a third of her Budgie earnings, Mr Bryan claims

rights. Disclosing his inten-tion to sue, he said he had supported her with millions of dollars" in the early days of their four-year friendship. "Half of my staff were working for her and it was coming all out of my pocket. It was never supported by anyone,". he said. he said.

A lot of people were hired

just for her. There were law-yers doing all her deals and administrators for charities all on my buck." He claims to have rescued Budgie from disaster when he negotiated the original £2.5 million deal with the Bucking-

hamshire company Sleepy Kids in July 1994. That property was totally dead when I got hold of it," he is reported to have said. Mr Bryan's move is the vision, film and publishing

third threat of legal action for the Duchess in recent days. The socialite Lily Mahtani is suing for alleged non-payment of a £100,000 loan and the furniture supplier Room-service Designs said it would issue a writ if the Duchess did not keep up £600-a-month payments on rented reproduction antique furniture. The Duchess also has an over-draft, estimated to be up to E3 million, with Courts.

with Dr Groepper and Part-ners of Frankfurt, said: "It is correct that Mr Bryan wants some money from her over must speak with the Duchess's lawyers and then we will see what will happen. I believe it will not be necessary to go to

Army goes gentle on raw recruits

BY MICHAEL EVANS DEFENCE CORRESPONDENT

AN ARMY officer who fought in one of the Palklands' toughest battles said yesterday that the new generation of recruits needed the gentle touch.

Lieutenant-General Hew Pike, who commanded the 3rd Battalion. The Parachute Regiment, in the attack on Mount Longdon, told MPs that young people needed more time to acclimatise to army life. Several measures have been introduced to make life easier for the new recruit, to ensure he or she is not put off military life by an overexuberant ser-

geant-major. Giving evidence to the Commons Defence Select Committee yesterday, General Pike, now deputy commanderin-chief of the Arroy's Land Command. underlined the softer approach adopted

General Pike, who has a son aged 25 serving with The Parachute Regiment, said: We are recruiting a generation of young people who seem to need more time to develop the resilience and toughness we require of them. If you try
to push it too quickly, they seem to break
more quickly than previous generations."
He said medical records proved that

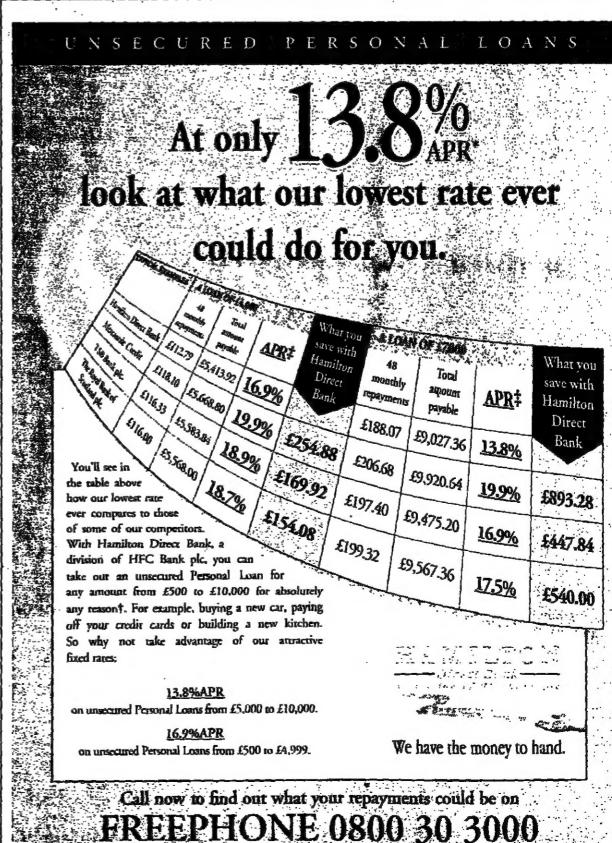
the present generation was not as physically tough. We have to take account of that in our approach to training to give recruits as gentle an introduction to the Army as we can. We don't put them into boots straight away. We monitor the length of marches and so forth. We have less of a sink-or-swim approach than in the past. The committee was told that as part of efforts to

increase recruitment, new members of infantry, tank and gumer regiments are to be given vocational training.

The move has been ordered to try to encourage young men and women to join the infantry instead of units such as the Royal Engineers and Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers, where they are assured highly specialised courses.

The Army is facing a serious shortfall in recruits, particularly in infantry, artillery and cavalry regiments. Senior officers believe parents are advising their children against joining these units because they learn only basic skills that are of little benefit to them in the civilian

The Army is also considering reinstating the junior leaders' scheme, which provides training for promising 16-year-



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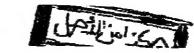
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Carling case does not signal press free-for-all, says Wakeham

MEDIA CORRESPONDENT

LORD WAKEHAM, chairman of the Press Complaints Commission, has written to the National Heritage Secretary, defending his decision to reject a complaint about invasion of privacy from Julia

In his letter to Virginia Bottomley, Lord Wakeham said he was concerned that the case had

misunderstandings that needed to be corrected. He rejected acrusathe commission's ruling gave newspapers carte blanche to publicise the private lives of people in the

He pointed out that the commission is to uphold a complaint about invasion of privacy from the television presenter Selina Scott next month. Ms Scott objected to a News

of the World article which alleged in her life a considerable time by Lotd Wakehars that the Printest ahe had had an affair more before. before than 15 years ago with a man who tions by Mrs Carling's lawyers that had given an interview to the newspaper. Ms Scott denies the

> In its defence, the News of the World produced numerous articles by Ms Scott and interviews she had given since 1984. The commission will rule that none of these warranted an invasion of her privacy concerning "the reporting of events

Last month the commission rejected a complaint against The Sun brought by Mrs Carling, the estranged wife of the England rugby captain. It ruled that she had effectively forfeited her right to privacy by co-operating previously with media articles and interviews designed in part to enhance her career as a television presenter. The ruling followed comments

cess of Wales might have compromised her right to privacy by giving her Panorama interview.

Mrs Carling's lawyers, Stitt & Co, wrote to Mrs Bottomley, complaining that the ruling would "encourage further media excess in relation to so-called public figures"

Lord Wakeham said that, if true, Stift & Co's arguments would lead to the "bizarre result" of people in information about their private lives for the purposes of selfpublicity and yet able to stifle reporting on the same facts on the ground that a breach of privacy had occurred.

The commission's code of conduct says that "intrusions and inquiries into an individual's private life without his or her consent ... are not generally acceptable and publication can only be justi-

There are no specific regulations. however, on people who have willingly put information about themselves into the public domain.

Lord Wakeham said that each case was treated on its own merits and emphasised that the fact that a complainant has previously sought publicity did not mean that the press was entitled to publish articles on any subject involving that person or his or her family.

Scotland struggles back to work as roads in the South West are closed by fresh falls

Three killed clearing paths after blizzards

GILLIAN BOWDITCH AND KATE ALDERSON

THREE people collapsed and died while clearing snow from their paths as Scotland recovered from some of the worst weather in 50 years. While most of Scotland, Wales, and western England struggled in the aftermath of heavy snowfalls, fresh blizzards hit the

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Hundreds of drivers were rapped in cars and lorries and the main dual carriageway route into Cornwall was. closed in several places by drifting snow. Some 2,400 homes suffered power cuts as lines were brought down in heavy winds. The lowest recorded temperature on Tuesday night was -113C in Madley, Hereford and - colder than

Scotland enjoyed a respite yesterday, allowing people in the worst affected region. Dumfries and Galloway, to clear roads and search for those trapped in the snow. But weather forecasters said blizzards would return tomorrow. and at the weekend.

The M74, the main route between Scotland and England, reopened 36 hours after it had been cut off. Police began moving 1,000 aban-doned vehicles and escorting hundreds of stranded motorists from the emergency cen-tres where they had been sheltering for two days.

The atrocious weather was blamed yesterday blamed for the loss of at least eight lives. Elderly people were warrest to stay indoors after three people.



Hammond: kept warm by a copy of The Times

from Lanarkshire collapsed and died while clearing snow from their paths. Age Concern said any exertion in the extreme cold could put a strain on the heart and advised people to stay warm and call for help from relatives or

Two_people were killed when two vehicles collided on black ice on the Al5 at

TWO trenagers died when

their car sank upside down in the icy waters of a dyke. Two

others managed to escape from the crash at Benwick,

Steven Slade Robson, 15.

one of the survivors had smashed the windscreen of the Ford Orion with his feet as ILER the maid and headed for the water. He managed to crant out to safety as it sanks. He then saw the hand of 16-

and another man died when his BMW car overturned on the A3 near Petersfield, Hampshire. Dean Hart. 28, died after diving into the Tees to rescue his dog in Stockton, Cleveland. In Liverpool Elizabeth Wilson, 89, died after she was found frozen on her own. A lifeboat was launched

vesterday to collect and deliver food to 120 children snowed in at St Bees School in the west Cumbrian coastal village of the same name. Captain Leon Coldwater, skipper of the village lifeboat, sailed to Whitehaven five miles along the coast to fetch supplies for the school and 2,000 villagers. A solicitor said he kept warm by wrapping his copy of the The Times around his legs after he was trapped by snow

Whitburn, Tyne and Wear, took him three days. At Marwell 200 in Hamp-

year-old Laura Prince stick-

ing up through the cracked ice and pulled her to safety.

The two raised the alarm for

their friends but rescue work-

The dead were named as Russell Highly, 18; the driver, and Sarah Law, 16. Inspector Addian Toukinson, of Cambridgeshire police, said "Ste-

for 24 hours in his car near

Whitehaven. An expected two

and a half journey home for David Hammond, 53, to

sun lamns in their ourdoor enclosure to combat the cold. Mountain Zoo, Colwyn Bay. Ciwyd, were continually breaking the ice on the pen-guin and sealion pools to enable them to have a swim.

The holiday firm Inspirations has brought out its 1996-97 winter sun brochure six weeks early. The winter brochures normally come out in March - but the way the weather is now, people are already thinking about getting away next year," said a spokesman.

A move to introduce automatic cold weather payments in most of the country between December and March each vear, whatever the temperature, was launched in the Commons yesterday. The present system is triggered when sub-zero conditions have been reached on seven consecutive days in a specific

Under a backbench Bill introduced by Margaret Ewing parliamentary leader of the Scottish nationalists Scottish nationalists, people in the coldest part of Britain, northern Scotland, would receive payments of £11,15 a week.

Householders were told yesterday that they could face a legal writ over the clearing of snow from their paths and steps. Kerry Gwyther, a personal injuries solicitor and parmer at Lawrence Tucketts of Bristol, said that under the law, if a householder attempted to clear snow and failed to do a proper job of it, he was more liable than if he had left the snow uncleared.



Sun lamps were used to keep South African meerkats warm at Marwell Zoo

NEWS IN BRIEF

Hospital screened for TB

Twenty patients and 80 staff are to be screened after a junior doctor at Fazakerly Hospital Liverpool, contracted pulmonary tuberculosis. A kesman for Aintree Hospitals NHS Trust said the screening was a "precaution-ary and reassuring" measure. The woman doctor is thought to have contracted the disease working abroad.

Tourists knifed

John Stewart, 66, and Eric Buchanan, 62, from Scotland, were treated in hospital for stab wounds after the fourth attack this mouth on holidaymakers in Cape Town by gangs of robbers.

Paedophile hunt

Scotland Yard is tracking paedophiles who are using computer graphics to merge pictures of children in maga-zines and catalogues with pornography in a practice called pseudo-imaging.

Domestic fixture

Manchester United has been granted a licence to hold civil marriages at its Old Trafford ground. But the ceremony can take place only in the club's Premier suite and not on match days.

CORRECTIONS

Although the Confederation of British Industry is opposed to legislation outlaw-ing age discrimination, it does not believe that older workers necessarily cost more or are harder to retrain (report, February 5). St Peter's C of E High School (report, February 6) is in

Exeter, not Plymouth.

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HOME NEWS

One small step for explorers

Satellite technology moves South Pole to its true position

the much-photographed post discovered that the true spot is about 18in from where previous calculations had placed it.

The discovery means that glaciologists and meteorologists have, unwittingly, been standing in the wrong spot for their traditional group photo-graphs. It also raises the possibility that Amundsen, the Norwegian credited with beating Scott to the Pole, might

have undershot his target. The Pole's new position has been plotted by the United States Geological Survey in Virginia. Gordon Shupe, a scientist with the survey, flew to Antarctica to make sure the marking post

place. "It is not a big change. We presume that the new where it should be," he said. Christopher Doake, of the British Antarctic Survey in

Cambridge, said yesterday that the discovery highlighted the increasing accuracy of satellites for mapping. trigonometry, working out their position from the stars, the Moon and the Sun. This

method can be accurate to about 100 to 200 yards The South Pole's previous position was fixed with the use of a constellation of satellites called Transit. They work using the Doppler effect, known to schoolboys as the change in frequency that ocand passes through a station.

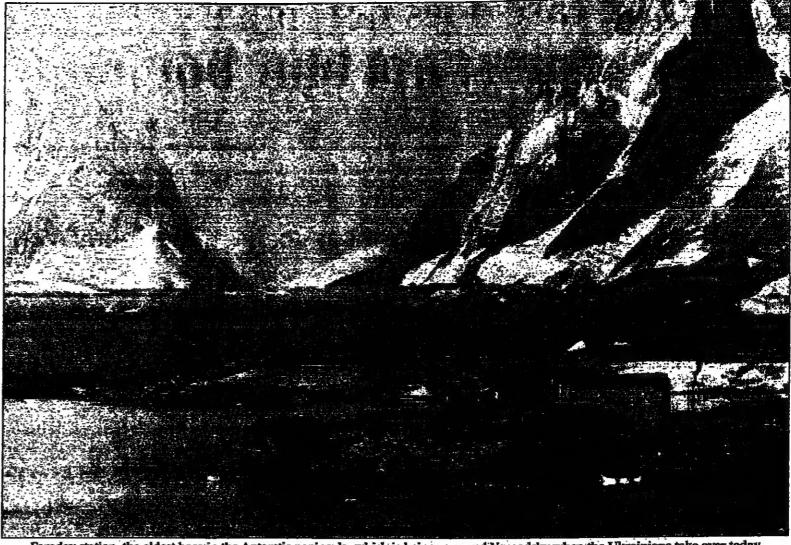
military's network of Global Positioning Satellites, which were also used extensively in the Gulf War to pinpoint troop erts, to find the Pole's new position. The system is said to be accurate to within a yard, as against tens of yards for the Transit system.

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Transit system.

The repositioning of the South Pole, reported in New Scientist, is unlikely to be the last word on the affair. Dr Doake pointed out that the location changes with the wobble in the Earth's orbit. Meanwhile, American sci-

entists will not be able to rest on their laurels. The ice sheets in Antarctica move by 10 yards a year, so the posts put in to mark the Pole's position stretch into the distance in a



the oldest base in the Antarctic peninsula, which is being renamed Vernadsky when the Ukrainians take over today

A TINY GRAIN OF THIS STUFF CAN KEEP A MAN'S HEART BEATING. OR A NATION'S.

Plutonium is a mightily feared substance. Can all the legends about it be true?

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A form of plutonium, called plutonium-238 can be machined so that the heat of its radioactive decay energises small electronic devices.

A beart pacemaker for example. Plutonium was regularly used for this until improvements in electronics and battery technology led to other ways to power these tiny devices.

The way it worked was that a tiny amount of platonium-238 was encased in the device. The constant, minute amount of heat it

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Britain's farewell to Antarctic base

A CHAPTER in Antarctic history comes to a close today when Britain hands over the Faraday research station to Ukraine (Nick Nuttall writes). The oldest base on the Antare tic peninsula has been used for studying weather, the Earth's magnetic field and the ozone layer since it was set up during the British Graham

Land Expedition of 1934-37.

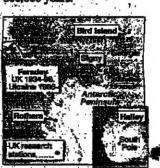
The cost of upgrading it to modern health and safety standards has been deemed too costly. Instead the base is being given to the Ukrainian Academy of Sciences, so Ukraine can restart Antarctic research after losing access to

ormer Soviet bases. Under the terms of the recent Antarctic environmen protocol, old bases must be lismantled and removed. The handover will save £1 million

The British Amarctic Sur four remaining bases, at Rothera, Halley, Signy and Bird Island. It said the loss of Faraday did not mark a rundown in research, as other bases are being expanded to accommodate more scientists with £4 million of

Today the final party of British staff sets sail on HMS Endurance, the ice patrol vessel. The base will be renamed Vernadsky.

There was speculation yes terday that one of Russia's Antarctic bases is to be temporarily closed to save cash. putting at risk an internationat drilling experiment to take



'unhappy' with mobile telephones

BY ROBIN YOUNG

DISSATISFACTION is rife among mobile phone users, according to a survey published today by the Consum-

It says customers are obliged to sign lengthy con-tracts with unreliable networks for phones that often ent off in mid-call. Researchers found that almost three quarters of those paying for mobile phones had experi-enced problems, while nearly four out of ten said they would hand their mobile back, change tariff or move network if they could do so without financial penalty. More than a third of 2,891

respondents to the survey were dissatisfied with at least one crucial aspect of the service. Their complaints included being cut off for no apparent reason, failing to nect to their network or having to have the mobile phone repaired.

There are more than five

million users of mobile phones in Britain and the four competing networks—Cellnet, Mercury one2one, Orange and Vodafone—expect to add at least another three million users this year. Overall, customers of Mer-

cury one 20ne and the Vodafone analogue network were found to be unhappiest, while those with Orange were

One in three | Heart tests focus on importance of anger

BY JEREMY LAURANCE HEALTH CORRESPONDENT

SCIENTISTS are to try to discover if angry people are more likely to have heart attacks: In the first British study on links between personality and heart disease, researchers are to measure levels of hostility in 1,300 men and women aged 60 to 80 and compare the results with heart problems suffered by them.

Personality tests will measure neuroticism, extroversion, conscientiousness and agreeableness. A separate questionnaire will look at how people deal with anger and the extent to which they express or

Research dating back to the 1960s has tried to show that people with a "type A" personality are more prone to heart attacks. Type "A" people are characterised by aggressive and impatient actions, rapid emphatic speech and competi-tiveness. The link has never been proved but interest has focused on hostility as the key element in the type A personality that predisposes people to

suffer heart attacks. The £37,000 study will be funded by the British Heart Foundation. Professor Brian Pentecost, of the foundation, said: "A proper understanding of the psychological factors which predispose to heart



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disease is central to any programme of prevention.

Teachers told to put Schubert before pop to save heritage

Schools must not blur boundary of culture, says curriculum chief

SCHOOLS must introduce their pupils to high culture and help them to escape the growing creed that sees no difference between Schubert and Blur, Nicholas Tate, the Government's chief curricu-

lum adviser, said yesterday. Dr Tate, who recently called for a new moral code to be taught in schools, yesterday attacked "cultural relativism" and "romantic individualism" for encouraging children to place equal value on Milton and Mills & Boon, or Vermeer's View of Delft and Damien Hirst's dead sheep.

British heritage, and with it the notion of strong communities and shared values, was in danger of disintegrating un-less teachers actively transmitred it. Just as Dr Tate wants children to be taught right from wrong, they should learn which works of art, music and ·literature are better than others. The revised national curriculum already insists, for example, that children should read two Shakespeare plays before the age of 14 and learn

mainly British history. But Dr Tate, launching a three-day conference called Curriculum, Culture and Society, proposed a series of "big ideas" to clarify the purpose of the national curriculum. He said: "A fundamental purpose



Cult or culture: Damon Albarn, lead singer of the group Blur, and Schubert characteristics of what traditionally has been known as

of the school curriculum is to transmit an appreciation of and commitment to the best of the culture we have inherited. We need a more active sense of education as preserving and transmitting, but in a way that is forward looking, the best of what we have inherited from

Dr Tate challenged the growing trend towards multimedia study by saying books must remain the medium of the future. Other "big ideas" included grounding the curriculum in ancient Greece and Rome, Christianity and European civilisation, and ensur-

ing that "English English", not some watered-down modern version, was taught.

The final big idea is that we should aim to develop in young people a sense that some works of art, music, literature or architecture are more valuable than others," he said. "By the post-modern view there are no differences in value between, say, Schu-bert's Ave Maria and the latest Blur release, or between Milton and Mills & Boon.

and thought'." Other speakers opposed Dr Tate's belief. Raphael Samuel, The final big idea therefore is that a key purpose of the head of history at Ruskin College, Oxford, said: "Histcurriculum is to introduce young people to some of the

ory is an argument about the past as well as a record of it. introduces children to the unfamiliar and the exotic. Lesson's should be devised to encourage children to disagree and to question.

I think the whole thought of transmitting heritage runs against the spirit of cultural inquiry. Memory-keeping and respect for the past are things historians ought to have regard to but I do not think that is what history lessons should be about."

Anne Barnes, chief executive of the National Association for the Teaching of English, said teachers constantly emphasised the differstantly emphasised the difference between high culture and popular works. Nobody disputes that Milton is better than Mills & Boon, Everybody wants all children to be introduced to Milton but if they bring Mills & Boon into the classroom then that has to be discussed in its own terms."

Bishop David Konstant, chairman of the Catholic Education Service, said the pluralist nature of society made it difficult to define a national culture. We should be encouraging unity by developing a proper understanding of the value of difference and of the need to reconcile differences peacefully," he said.

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Girl's feat speaks volumes

FOUR-YEAR-OLD girl from Wales has taught herself to speak German in six weeks. Chantelle Coleman, from St Athan. South Glamorgan, Mensa's second youngest member, is said to have an IQ

When an Austrian maga-zine heard Chantelle had joined Mensa, a reporter came to interview her in December. "She had never

heard a foreign language and was fascinated." her mother Margaret. 28, said. "She started to repeat the German words, then wanted to know what they meant.

She asks for her breakfast in German every morning. I tell her to speak English but she hands me her German phrasebook and tells me to look up what she says."

Her father Alan. 28, taught her to count in German and

buy her a phrasebook and tapes," Mr Coleman said. tapes, Mr Coleman said.

It's like having a foreigner for a daughter. She has mustered English and says it's too

Axel Riche, lecturer in German at the University of Wales, said: "German is one of the most difficult languages to learn for English speakers. She must have remarkable intelligence to pick up the language so quickly."

Universities' threat of entrance fee wins no concessions from minister sufficiently frequently, the

BY JOHN O'LEARY EDUCATION EDITOR

THE Government refused to give in yesterday to vicechancellors' threat of a £300 entrance fee for undergraduates and ruled out an early commitment to an expanded

student loans system. Eric Forth, the Higher Education Minister, accused universities of ignoring the practical difficulties of their plans. The minister also ques-tioned the needs for more higher-education places when

the present recruiting freeze

The vice-chancellors' proposal for an entry fee to be introduced in 1997 was prompted by budget cuts. They believe that students must pay a greater share of university costs, aided by "income contingent" loans repaid over a long period. But Mr. Forth told a Tory conference in London: One of the things that slightly irritates me about the dehate that we are now hearing is the idea that if you say income-contingent loan.

problems will go away." Mr Forth, who is responsible for a government review of higher education launched

more than a year ago, said questions remained unanswered. Among them was whether further university expansion would benefit the economy and could be sustained without damaging the quality of education. Other options for increasing

the skills of the workforce would be to channel teenagers into further education colleges work-based vocational training. There is a very

had around what proportion of the population can reasonably be expected to benefit from what we define as higher education," Mr Forth said. Nearly a third of young people now go on to higher education. The Conservative Political Centre, which the conference, organised the conference, called for the proportion to

a system of privatised loans. Sir Cyril Taylor, chairman of the City Technology Colleges Trust and one of the authors of the report, said there would be pressure for more university places from the growing numbers taking A levels. "I don't think it is part of Conservative philosophy to deny people that opportunity, provided that standards are maintained."

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knowledge for its own sake. I

am not saying that young people should spend all their

time studying Jane Austen

and Shakespeare or listening

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am suggesting is that we, their

educators, should give these

things their proper value as, in the words of Manhew Arnold.

the best that has been known

Clive Booth, vice-chairman of the Committee of Vice-Chancellors and Principals said Mr Forth had been badly briefed if he believed there were doubts about the practicality of the universities

Government policy also came under attack from Sir Eric Ash, chairman of the Student Loans Company, who described the privatisation plans before Parliament as "unnecessarily complicated". Sir Eric said it would have been better for a consortium of financial institutions to take over the company, rather than trying to set up a new network.

Aid worker accused of taking baby

A BRITISH charity worker has been charged with smuggling a baby out of Romania. John Boast is alleged to have taken the 15-month-old girl from a hospital in Oradea last year and illegally transported her to Britain. The child was found last

year in northeastern Britain in the custody of an English Mr Boast, 47, who works

for the Great Harwood charity, denies the charge. He faces up to five years in jail if convicted. The trial is expected to start on March I.

Appeal defeat for the jealous killer who changed her story conviction because it would be

A JAILED axe murder who originally denied the killings ien years ago failed yesterday in an attempt to claim a new defence of diminished

Heather Arnold, now 59, had changed her story about the deaths of a teaching colleague's wife and child, but it was not credible that a court would believe her, Lord Jus-

tice Hobhouse said at the Court of Appeal. A claim of diminished responsibility was available at the time of her murder trial. but instead she put forward an

Court had found her guilty of the 1986 murders of Jeanne Sutcliffe and Heidi, her baby, at Westbury, Wiltshire.

Years later, during counselling, she told psychiatrists that she had been depressed and "hated" Mrs Sutcliffe, whom she believed was trying to stop her being closer to Paul Sutcliffe, a fellow mathematics teacher at Warminster.

Dr Dilys Jones, leading consultant psychiatrist at Broadmoor top security hospital, said in a 1993 report that Arnold should appeal against

more appropriate for her to be managed under the Mental Health Act rather than as a life

Lord Justice Hobbouse, sitting with Mr Justice Laws and Mr Justice Butterfield, said they were being asked to substitute verdicts of "not guilty of murder, guilty of manslaughter by reason of diminished responsibility" or order a retrial. However, he said: "It is clear that she is not a person who can be treated as credible in the present



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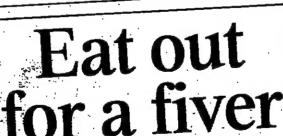
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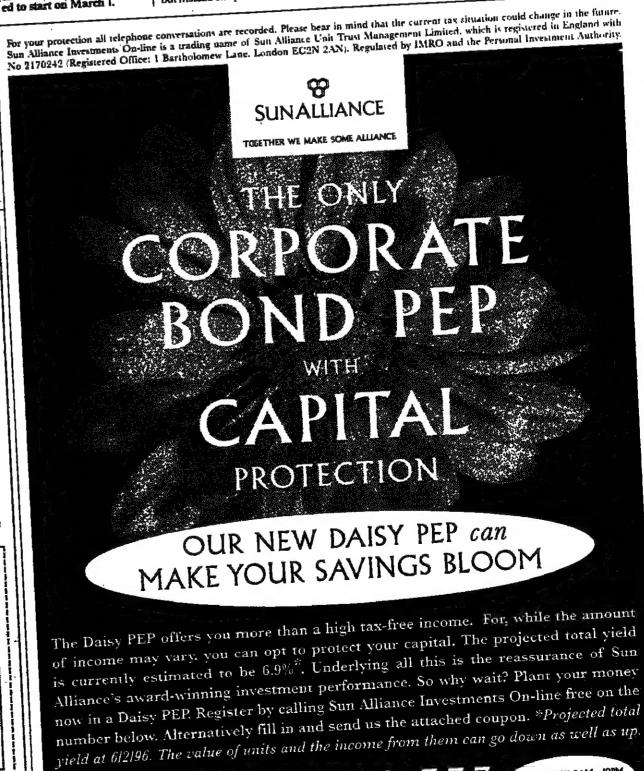
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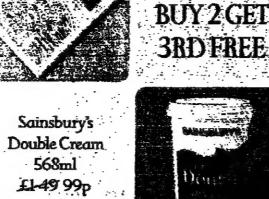
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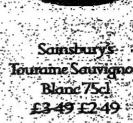
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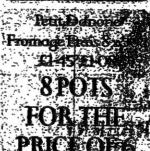
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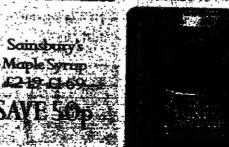










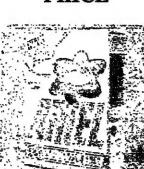




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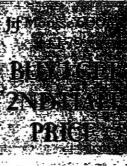
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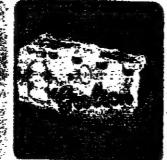
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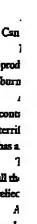


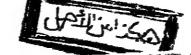


















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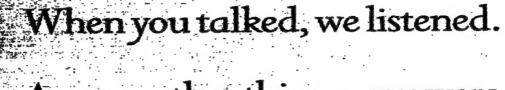
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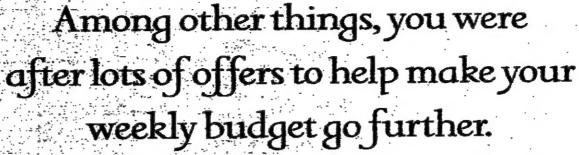


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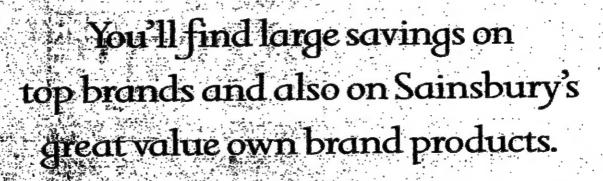












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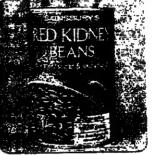






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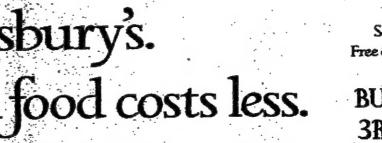


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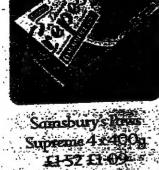
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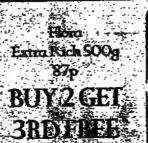


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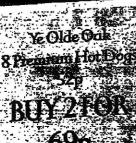




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Immigration tribunal declares millionaire's adopted son is young man of promise

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Nepalese heir to fortune 'should not be deported'

century castle and a £1.5 million fortune, should be allowed to stay in Britain, an immigration tribunal said

Jay Khadka, 19, was rescued from poverty by Richard Mor-ley. a millionaire businessman, to honour a pact with the teenager's dead father. The tribunal concluded that "there would be little senser in deporting Jay, although the final decision rests with the Home

The appeal heard evidence from four members of a community set up by Mr Morley at Clearwell Castle in the Forest of Dean, where he and Jay live. The members, including Mr Morley's girl-friend, Helen Thomas, testified that Jay had become Westernised and that it would be a tragedy if he were to be deported. The appeal report said: "They told us that Jay was the heir apparent to the

leadership of the community. There is not the slightest danger that Mr Khadka on public funds."

The report said the tribunal had been impressed by Jay's readiness to admit he would visit his family in Nepal, but added that having to live there would be traumatic for him after his experiences in Britain. "He appears a young man of promise and it would be regrettable if that promise were to be fundamentally affected by a legal process over which, in our view, he has probably had little control."

Mr Morley, 41, who has brought up Jay as his son since July 1990, said yesterday that he would leave Britain for Nepal if Jay were deported. This is not a question of wealth or bureaucracy, but of fore call upon the Government

to accept the recommend-ations," he said.

should be given indefinite leave to remain in Britain under "exceptional compaswould make him eligible for citizenship after five years.

Jay, who speaks perfect English and worked as head hotel, said: "I have grown up here, been educated and now have close family and friends, If I went back to Nepal I would be isolated from my family and people there might not be

would be heartbreaking."
The two met after Mr Morley punctured a lung in a climbing accident in Nepal in policeman, trekked for three days through the mountains

to seek help.

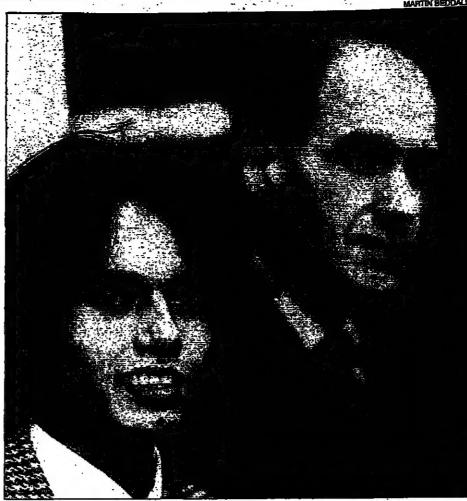
Mr Morley offered him money as a reward, but he him promise that he would care for Jay when he died. The

found Jay working in a stone He spoke no English.

Jay lived first at Mr Morley's seafront flat in Margate, Kent. Mr Morley, a widower, bought Clearwell Castle in 1994. The teenager was educated at home, reading Dick-ens, Orwell and Homer. He also studied fine art and classical music

Mr Morley, who has no children, has made Jay heir to his fortune, which includes a £220,000 flat in Bloomsbury. the Margate apartment, an art collection, and a 5,000-book

Mr Morley said: "Jay was born under extremely auspicious religious circumstances, predicted by a guru in a Buddist temple. He was born stars were in their maximum ascendency and the moon was



Jay Khadka with Richard Morley after the tribunal supported their appeal

Old soldier knifed man for insult vn VJ-Dav

BY A STAFF REPORTER

A VETERAN of the Burma campaign walked free from provoked him as he was commemorating the fiftieth anniversary of VJ-Day. Edward Field, 7l, a mem-

Bailey with his campa medals. He wept in the dock

drinking. The court was told that Field was insulted when This added to his feelings of by Mr McKenna earlier.

feelings were like a time-bomb," Jeremy Carter-Man-ning, QC, said, Mr McKenna

Cost cutting forces

closure of political

THREE council departments

set up to counter discrimina-

tion and promote political correctness are being disbanded as part of a city's economy

ities policy unit with a workforce of 21. Surplus staff

will be redeployed to other

The women's and race rela-

tions units were set up 12 years ago and grew steadily in size

and influence despite wide-

spread criticism of their activi-ties. Among ideas for which

they were responsible were a Christmas with no religious

and a £150,000 festival of

The women's unit organised

an annual £100,000 women's festival, which included events

for bringing together lesbians with disabilities and a history

racial tolerance.

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about repairing it, he was stunned to find the dust bag contained gold jewellery worth at least £7,000.

Sparkling among the dirt were 17 gold rings, bracelets, necklaces, religious pendants and other gold trinkers. The hoard has been returned to its original owner and Mr Thornton, a maintenance engineer from Doncaster, South

correctness units vice consultants were called in and advised that white staff

English into pidgin for residents who speak Caribbean Birmingham will save £1.5 million a year by scrapping the units, which had a staff of 73 covering women's affairs, race relations and equal op-portunities. They will be The women's unit issued an instruction that all females between 50 and 70 should be merged into one central equalreferred to as "women elders"

in council documents. Pressure to get rid of the departments built up last year when they were spared cuts including old people's homes, libraries and swimming pools. The need to make further economies this year because of the Government's tight rein on local authority spending has forced the city's controlling symbols, to avoid the risk of . Labour group to take a dec-offending ethnic minorities, sion to abolish them.

Brenda Clarke, the councilfor who has been chairing a working party into the future of the units, said that they had done valuable pioneering work. Their achievements have been real and measurable despite the often negative In an attempt to make staff publicity from some parts of aware of prejudice, social serthe media," she said.

Bargain buyer finds vacuum-packed gold

By PAUL WILKINSON

reward for his honesty. bought a second-hand vacuum cleaner for £2.65 was not too surprised when it blew up the first time he used it. But when Mike Thornton set

A BARGAIN hunter who Yorkshire has received a £100

Police traced the cleaner to a woman who lived 40 miles away in Nottingham and had used it as a hiding place for family treasures. When they moved house, her daughter dumped the cleaner in a skip. By the time her distraught mother discovered what had happened, a scavenger was

recycling it in a saleroom. Mr Thornton said yester day: "I couldn't believe my eyes when I opened it up and all this gold just dropped on to the floor."





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Ministers accused of discrediting arms-to-Iraq report

By NICEL WILLIAMSON, WHITEHALL CORRESPONDENT

LABOUR and the Liberal Democrats accused the Government yesterday of a black. propaganda campaign aimed at discrediting the findings of the Scott inquiry into the arms to Iraq affair.

Robin Cook, the Shadow Foreign Secretary, called on John Major to declare his confidence in Sir Richard Scott's impartiality and to repudiate the attacks by Lord Howe of Aberavon and Douglas Hurd. Mr Cook predicted a week of intensive Government "spinning" and "dumping on civil servants by ministers" while everyone else was kept in the dark about the

A team of up to 17 govern-ment officials formed to respond to the report began work yesterday afternoon after receiving copies in advance of its publication, David Gould, a former senior Minis-

charge of co-ordinating the they thought Sir Richard was operation and briefing going to pat Lyell and munisters. Waldegrave on the back this ministers.
Mr Cook claimed that the

response was being dictated by party political considerations. The Government effort is not invested in promoting the public interest but in protecting ministers' interests." he said.

With a week still to go before publication. Westminster is already captivated by the report, which threatens the careers of at least two minis-ters, William Waldegrave, Chief Secretary to the Trea-sury and Sir Nicholas Lyell, the Attorney-General.

As rumour and countermons bars and tearooms last, night, most observers believed that whatever gloss was put upon the report, it promised very bad news for the Govern-

What Scott examined

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to make weepone. January 1988: Alan Clark, Trade Minister, gives a "nod and a wink" to Matrix Churchill's machine fool exports knowing they would be used in Iraci arms factories.

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February 1989: Ministers agree to further exports to Iraq, knowing they, would be used to make weapons.

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May 1993: Public hearings start.

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Scott there had been no change in May 1995; Public hearings start.
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Scott there had been no change in
export guidelines but admits "an
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campaign of denigration would not be happening."

... Mr Cook said he feared that the report would be selectively leaked by government sources who left "free to do so knowing no one can tell if they are telling the truth". Labour is antious to keep

the focus on what it regards as the key issues: whether the guidelines on exports to Iraq were changed and whether ministers decrived Parliament about the policy on defence sales to Saddam Hussein. Mr Cook said that in 1989

Mr Waldegrave, then a junior Foreign Office Minister, had signed 27 letters to MPs assuring them that the Government had not changed its policy on defence sales to Iraq. If the Scott report concludes that those letters were not true and that Mr Waldegrave was in a position to know they were not true, he must go."

The other main issue is whether Sir Richard concludes that ministers were prepared to allow innocent men in the Matrix Churchill trial to go to jail rather than to disclose secret documents to the court. Mr Cook said that if that was the conclusion the Government could not escape by sacrificing Sir Nicholas, who urged other ministers to sign the certificates witholding material vital to the defence. The Government cannot pass the buck to Lyell as if he were a family solicitor who came up with the wrong advice. It was a collective policy."

Mr Cook also questioned

why the Prime Minister, who set up the inquiry, was not presenting the report to the House himself. He said that Mr Major was seeking to deflect the heat?

The Association of First Division Civil Servants was consulting its lawyers yester-day over the position of White-hall officials criticised in the report. Liz Symons, general secretary, said: "It is not the senior people but our fear is that a few middle ranking officials could be left carrying.



Redwood urges Major to stand against EMU

By Nicholas Wood, Chief Political Correspondent

JOHN MAJOR was on a collision course with Tory Euro-sceptics last night after the former minister John Redwood unveiled a hard-line manifesto for next month's summit on the future of the European Union.

Mr Redwood challenged the Prime Minister by saying that the pre-summit White Paper on European policy should oppose a single currency. With increasing turmoil on

the Continent over the practicality of launching economic and monetary union in 1999, Mr Major and his senior colleagues have decided to duck the issue in the White Paper. For tactical reasons, they have decided it would be better if Britain's partners took the lead in slowing down the Maastricht timemble for a single currency.

But yesterday Mr Redwood. backed by leading Euro-sceptic MPs, said that it was time the Covernment cameless the

fence. Publishing his own version of the White Paper, cally that we will be able to influence the direction in expected shortly before the which Europe is going." inter-governmental confer-Butsenior ministers are takence in Turin on March 29, he said: "The UK should set out ing the opposite tack, saying that Britain can maximise its the case against an exclusive influence over plans for a monetary union of a few single currency by refraining countries in the centre, and the

implausibility of a monetary In another ominous devunion incorporating many elopment for Mr Major, the states. Monetary union would eight former whipless Tory rebels promised their own be bad for Britain, bad for the paper on the IGC next week, excluded states and bad for France and Germany." Britsaying it would be more hardain's task was to "voice fears" line than Mr Redwood's. across the EU that a single Mr Redwood, in his six-

page paper, also called for currency would mean budget cuts, high interest rates, and curbs on the powers of the too tight monetary policies. European Court of Justice, saying that it was time the High Court of Parliament Mr Redwood was supported by Bill Cash, one of the leaders of the Maastricht rebelijon. reasserted its pre-eminence. "We should say 'No' to a single currency now," Mr Cash said. He said that France and Germany were sometimes prepared to overrule the Euro-We should do that in the White Paper because it is quite pean court and that Britain clear from all the events in might be pleasantly surprised Europe receptly... that it is if it sounded out the opinions saying "No emphati- of other states . . .

Both parties need to think again on the constitution

form a centrepiece of the election campaign. But their approaches are flawed, in opposite ways. On the one hand, while the Tories' defence of the status quo is unconvincing, some of their queries about the Opposi-tion's proposals are valid. On the other hand, while Labour is on strong ground in challenging current arrange-ments, there are many unresolved questions about their specific proposals.

Of the two cases put foward

yesterday, the Tories' Is the shakier. Brian Mawhinney tried to have it both ways. He proclaimed the glories of our institutions, invoking Disraeli to state that "under John Major's leadership, the Conservative and Unionist Party will fight tooth and nail for Britain's constitution". Yet, at the same time. Dr Mawhinney quoted Burke to argue that "a state without the means of some change is without the means of its conservation" and pointed to the Tory tradition of rolling constitutional reform. He cited the creation of the departmental select committees, the reduction of Government secrecy, the formation of the Notan committee etc. This is a stronger record than is commonly recognised, but it undermines the Tory attempt to argue that Labour's proposals are "threatening" and amount to an attempt to "foist an entirely new constitutional order which "would rip apart

the United Kingdom". The real argument is not whether there should be constitutional reform, but what form it should take. MORI's state of the nation polls have repeatedly shown that a big majority of the public is unhappy with the way Britain is governed. In part, this is cause the Tories have been in office for so long, removing some of the normal checks and balances and increasing the powers of central

Tony Blair sought yesterday to move the debate away from the "chattering classes" He mostly avoided the absolutist language of the Charter 88 type of radical reformers. Throughout his lecture, he presented the argument for

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reform on a case-by-case basis Labour MPs for a Big Bang approach. He said there would not be "a Great Reform Bill which would attempt all this change at once. Reforms will be achieved "over a period of time".

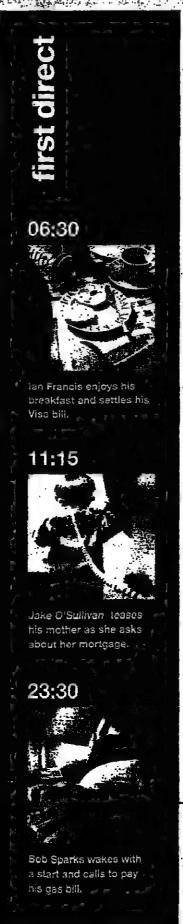
Several of his specific proposals are likely to be popular and make sense, such as directly elected mayors for London and other large cities. creating a new elected authority for the capital and incorporating the European Conven-tion of Human Rights into also be ill-advised to make a stand in defence of hereditary peers. The Lords has virtues as a revising chamber, and as a check on the Commons, but its present composition involves a heavy, and persistent,

Tory bias. Mr Blair, however, failed to ddress some key questions. There is strong demand for legislative devolution in Scotland, but there are implications for the Westminster Parliament --- the number and role of Scottish MPs in the Commons — which Mr Blair ignored. Any devolution Bill will be a parliamentary nightmare unless Labour produces answers to these questions. He also made a gesture to-wards the Liberal Democrats in recognising more fully than he has in the past the strength of feeling about electoral reform and reaffirming his commitment to a referendum. But he repeated his own doubts about proportional representation, leaving a deliberate

The Tories may rally some disaffected former supporters by playing the constitutional/nationalist card, while Labour's reform agenda will appeal to the "time for a change" constituency. At present, both parties exaggerate, claiming that the constitution's survival depends on their victory. The Tories need to be less dogmatic and Labour has to address the flaws in its approach.

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Svetlana hopes to atone for sins of atheist father who slaughtered millions of Soviet citizens

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Stalin's daughter seeks sanctuary by taking the veil

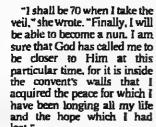
From Richard Beeston in moscov

to escape the bloody legacy of her father. Svetlana Alliluyeva, Stalin's only daughter, may finally have found a sanctuary for her tortured

After the break-up of four marriages and the futile search over three continents restless daughter of the Soviet dictator and the century's most ruthless atheist has re-Roman Catholic convent.

Now aged 70, she has reportedly decided to live out her remaining years as a nun. in her words to "atone for the sins of my father", who is blamed for the murder of an estimated 21 million Soviet

The disclosure appeared in the popular Italian weekly which published letters by Svetlana to her spiritual adviser, Father Giovanni Garbolino. In one letter, writ-ten while she was still undergoing training in Britain, she described how she looked forward to making her peace with the world once she had



If she has indeed found peace of mind it will be the end of a lifelong search to escape the haunting shadow cast by



Alliluyeva: 'a heavy life'

her father's legacy. Although Svetlana does have some hood, when Stalin appeared as a loving and devoted father. her life was julted when she was aged six by the suicide of her mother, Nadezhda. As Svetlana grew up, so the

truth about her father's charcter emerged, most shockingly when she was a teenas and he sent her first love to the camps. Passionate and unpredictable, she married twice in uick succession and had two children before she caused an international incident by travelling to India in 1967 on a twoweek visit and applied to

immigrate. India copardising its ties with the loviet Union, a compromise was found when she was offered a new home in America. She caused an instant sensation by her anti-Soviet views at the height of the Cold

She settled down in Princeton, married an architect named Wesley Peters, and although she was aged 46



to live in Britain, where her ughter went to school. However, when reforms got

where she spent a few unhap-

under way in the Soviet Union in the 1980s, Svetlana was drawn back to her homeland,

Once again the experiment had failed, and this time she sent her daughter to school in to hide from the world in a

remote log cabin in rural

into life, first in Moscow and

Wisconsin. Eventually that, too, failed to live up to her reported living penniless in an

may now have found her peace, reportedly in a convent

than 10,000 works of

by her own admission rarely leaves her thoughts. Although in the Swiss town of Fribourg, where her identity and her past will not be allowed to Nevertheless, it is still doubtful that the cloisters and strict routine of convent life will by themselves be able to dispel the spectre of her father, which

she once told an interview that all she needed in life was to be left alone, it is not clear Battle fo Chemist: that solitude will suffice. "It has been a heavy life." she once remarked. "Heavy to listen to, heavy to live."

US warns Moscow 'meddlers' in Poland

FROM PATRICIA KOZA IN WARSAW

THE US Assistant Secretary of State, Richard Holbrooke, issued a veiled warning to Russia yesterday not to interfere in Poland's affairs.

Mr Holbrooke, on a visit to Poland, was commenting on reports of meddling by the Russian intelligence services in the recent Polish elections and the forthcoming Czech elections. Jozef Oleksy, the Prime Minister, resigned on January 26 over allegations that he was a spy for Moscow, a scandal which many speculate was engineered to discred

it Poland in the eyes of Nato. Yesterday President Kwasniewski swore in a Polish Cabinet that retains Wlodzimierz Kaczmarek, the Privatisation Miruster, who was under attack from the junior coalition partner, the Peasant

Włodzimierz Cimoszewicz, the Prime Minister, leads a 21member Cabinet that includes seven members of the Democratic Left Alliance, eight from the Peasant Party and six nonparty appointments

The Peasant Party had wanted Mr Kaczmarek dumped to slow down the sale of state assets. However, a clause in the agreement, signed before the swearing-in, obliges Mr Kaczmarek "not to conduct privatisation at random" Jerzy Jaskiernia, the Justice Minister, was among those to Quit the Government



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Swiss in clash over Holocaust assets

FROM CHRISTOPHER WALKER

JEWISH groups and the a bitter clash yesterday over the amount of cash belonging to victims of the Holocaust which is allegedly being held in dormant bank accounts in Switzerland.

The row was sparked by a statement in Zurich by the Swiss Bankers Association, claimed assets from Holo caust victims and other foreign investors was estimat ed at \$32 million (£21 million). a figure much lower than that estimated by international Jewish experts.

The World Jewish Congress issued a stinging response, describing the statement as "a failure of moral responsibility to the victims of the Holocaust, the survivors and their families". Edgar Broniman, the president of the congress, said: "Contrary to the undertakings given to us, the Swiss statement was made unilaterally and is

unacceptable." At a press conference in Zurich, Jean-Paul Chapuis, general secretary of the association, said of the investigation launched last September "The rumours about huge assets hidden in Swiss banks belonging to Holocaust victims are totally unfounded."

The Swiss estimate is paltry compared with claims by Jewish experts about the figures involved. The Israeli business daily Globes estimated that the amount invoived was £4.3 billion Priceless works of art and ewellery are also believed to be among the wartime legacy stashed away in safe-deposi boxes by the Nazis after their

lewish owners were killed. "After 50 years we would have hoped for greater sensitivity on the part of the Swiss bankers and the Swiss Govemment and are waiting for a more appropriate response. Mr Bronfman said. The Swiss bankers have not met the test of being transparent."

miles and rights for live firing in several areas - including

The army insists its use of year, has saved the area from the developers' buildozers. A British spokesman, said even the grazing of goats was a greater threat" to the peninsula than "carefully regulated

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Cyprus tells British Army to cease fire FROM MICHAEL THEODOULOU IN NICOSIA THE British Army has been the rugged Akamas peninsula Name (Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms) asked to stop shelling one of on the west coast. The area, Cyprus's most beautiful and north of the tourist resort of Address unspoilt areas as the island's I would like: Paphos, is one of the Mediter-Government plans to declare ranean's last natural wood-Single membership £25 lands, while its pristine beaches are some of the few it a national park. Single concessionary* £15 The "bombardment" must I enclose a cheque for £_ Double membershipt where green turtles breed. end, Alecos Michaelides, the Double concessionary Foreign Minister, said. the peninsula, where it is entitled to practise 70 days a Cyprus was "discussing the Single life membership £500/£200° issue at the highest level with ____Double life membership £600/£5001* Britain", he added. tName of second member: The 1960 treaty that gave Signature Cyprus its independence also gave Britain two sovereign "Concessions at allable If you are over 60. Please send proof of age. bases covering 99 square

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Tunnel rail link plan in turmoil



AND JONATHAN PRYNN

FINAL negotiations over the E3 billion Channel Tunnel rail link

contract were plunged into turnoil yesterday when auditors were sent in

to investigate alleged financial irreg-

ularities at the company that de-

funding arrangements.

The announcement came as the

With the contract due to be

Union Railways, which planned the

68-mile route, will be transferred to

the successful bidder on April 1 after

Funding problems and inquiry delay contract award

Jim Butler, chairman of Union Railways, said that he had been told on Monday of "allegations of impany. I have asked our auditors, Price Waterhouse, to conduct an investigation in these allegations and they have started this today." he said. "I have informed the Secretary of

State for Transport, who has asked me to keep him abreast of the progress of the investigation."

The investigation centres on irregularities in the procurement of supplies such as stationery and printing materials and the sums involved are thought to be relatively small.

The announcement of the competi tion winner by Sir George Young, the Transport Secretary, is already a week overdue and is now unlikely to be made before the end of next week. Government concerns over the word-ing of L&CR's bank agreements are thought to be behind the delay. It has asked the L&CR to provide tighter assurances from its backers that the funding will be forthcoming when

the contract is signed.

Ministers are happy with the bid submitted by L&CR as it asks for a lower government grant, which is paid later. However, there are con-cerns, in the wake of the Eurotumnel hasco, over the consortium's debtfinancing and its ability to raise an estimated £1 billion in equity finance

Both bids contain a mix of equity and debt finance. However, with the L&CR bid there is believed to be a larger portion of equity finance — up around I billion. The rest would constitute up to II billion of bank debt. European funds and government subsidy.

Eurorail plans to raise 75 per cent of its £2 billion private financing in the form of bank debt, with 25 per cent from a placing of shares with institutional investors.

The partners in L&CR are Richard Branson's Virgin Group, National Express, Ove Arup, Bechtel and SBC Warburg, which is also acting as financial adviser.

The Eurorail partners are Trafal-ear House, NatWest, BICC, HSBC, Seeboard and Credit Lyonnais, advised by Kleinwort Benson.

Full funding would be required

year when the "Eurotunnel effect" is likely still to be blighting the market

for Channel Tunnel projects.
The consortium has Citibank and UBS as its lead banks. Rabobank, the Dutch bank, was part of the banking group but pulled out quietly last summer. In spite of efforts last year to attract other banks, only Dresdner Bank and Dai-Ichi Kangyo Bank, the Japanese bank, have agreed to act as

supporting banks. Deutsche Bank, which was backing two earlier bids, looked at the project last summer but did not sign up and L&CR has failed to persuade any of the major UK banks to sign up to the project.

Eurorail's 10 supporting banks are ABN Amro, Banque Indosuez, Bayerische Landesbank, Commerzbank, Industrial Bank of Japan, Kredietbank, Mitsubishi Bank, Royal Bank of Scotland and

added: "In negotiating a price, we looked at the opportunities

for growth which Frizzell would provide."

He said Liverpool Victoria

was still interested in forming

a joint venture, or making an

acquisition or merger if the

circumstances were right.

There was, however, no question of demutualising: "We are

committed to mutuality and

we believe it is the best way

Only since the beginning of

the year have friendly societies been permitted to offer a banking service, and the mu-

worldwide and is quoted on

both the London and New

York stock markets. It has

revenues from insurance of

more than £1.8 billion per

annum and has invested

heavily overseas in the last 30

Liverpool Victoria expects to

widen Frizzell's distribution

500,000 motor and 200,000

household insurance custom-

ers using its existing customer

Roy Hurley, chief executive,

said: "Frizzell and Liverpool

Victoria are complementary

or are taken over.

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Oftel orders BT to stop unfair subsidies

By ERIC REGULY

tual status of many building is under threat as they merge tions regulator, has directed BT to stop unfairly subsidis-M&M, which provides ining some of the services it surance and reinsurance serprovides to business vices, has 25,000 employees

> After a four-year investiga tion. Oftel determined that BT's rates of return from certain products offered by its managed network division were too low. In order to comply with the directive. BT must raise those rates of return to 15 per cent and will accomplish this by reducing costs. raising prices or a combina-tion of both. BT said: "We disagree with Offel's conclusions, but we will take the

necessary steps to comply." The network services division manages phone systems for corporate clients. Oftel said that the market is worth about £400 million a year. BT's share is thought to be about 40 per

gered by complaints from Mercury Communications and a company affiliated with AT&T. The directive covers five products, such as lowspeed data-transfer systems. Oftel also wants BT to keep detailed financial records to prove that managed network customers are being charged

all relevant costs. Oftel's directive follows a similar action in September. when it ordered BT to stop unfairly subsidising equipchines and basic phones. BT had to raise the prices of these products. As a result, its equipment retailing activities have been severely curtailed.

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Chemists hots up IPTIONS Frizzell Group sold to Liverpool with German bid

the contract has been signed.

GEHE of Germany and UniChem are set to join in a berce bid battle for control of Lloyds Chemist after Gehe's decision yesterday to enter the fray with a £584.3 million

The cash offer from Gene, Europe's largest drugs whole-saler, tops UniChem's rival ES30 million cash and share offer launched last month. The announcement sent shares in Lloyds Chemists racing up, reflecting the City's belief that Unicipan will print the offer Lloyds Chemists shares rose 23p to 467p — a new five-year high and above Gene's offer of . 450p a share. UniChem shares edged ahead 3p to 248p.
Allen Lloyd, founder and chairman of Lloyds Chemists.

saw the value of his 7.5 per cent shareholding in the pharmacy group leap to about \$44 million under Gebe's offer the terms of UniChem's offer. UniChem's board urged Lloyds Chemists shareholders to sit tight and said it had "noted" Gene's move and was "considering its response". Under UniChem's bid timetable it has until March 20 to revise its offer. The first clos-

ing date for the offer is next City analysts said they thought UniChem could aff-

ord to lift its offer to about

480p a share, but any big rise in its offer would run the risk of undermining the value of its own share price.

Analysts said that they expected a bid battle for Lloyds Chemists. where Michael

Ward is finance director, because neither Gehe nor UniChem would want to see the company in the others' hands. In the space of two decades, Mr. Lloyd built the company up from a single pharmacy into Britain's second largest pharmacy chain with 924 outlets. He diversified into drug wholesaleing, a move that put pressure on river pharmacy groups. UniChem and Lloyds Chem-



ists both hold 30 per cent of the UK drugs wholesale market. Gehe, which is majority-owned by Franz Haniel, a private company, has been rapidly expanding its drug wholesale business in recent years. It entered the UK

market last year with the £400 million acquisition of AAHL in 1993, it won a contested bid for OCP, a French company, in which it paid £325 million for a 95 per cent stake. Dieter Kammerer, chahrman

favourably with the UniChem offer. Our offer reflects the potential enhancement of Lloyds Chemists's value, which would be realised through a combination of Lloyds Chemists with AAH." Gehe's offer represents an 11.4 per cent premium to UniChem's offer for Lloyds Chemists ordinary shares based on Tuesday? share prices. The offer is pitched at a 54.6 per cent premium to the Lloyds Chemsts share price just before UniChem launched its bid.

Unichem's existing offer is agreed and comprises 232p cash plus four UniChem shares for every three Lloyds Chemists shares with a partial cash alternative.



Fall in exports hits manufacturers

was either a "noticeable" slowdown in BRITAIN'S failing export performance is hitting manufacturers across the country, a new Confederation of British Industry survey of the UK's regional industrial trends showed yesterday.

At the national level, CBI evidence shows that manufacturers' total orders are falling as exports, which have driven the recovery,

But the confederation's latest regional trends survey shows that while the decline in orders overall is not yet hitting every region across the country, the fallback in exports is having a dampening effect in a than in the previous quarter. range of areas.

The survey, published jointly with Business Strategies, the regional consultancy. shows that across the 11 economic regions of Britain in the three months to January there

orders overall - or in four regions, a fall. Orders fell in East Anglia particularly, with a balance of 26 per cent of companies those reporting a rise in order set against those registering a fall - recording that orders are declining. Orders fell, though less spectacularly, in Yorkshire, the North and the West Midlands, and were flat in the South East and the North West.

The CBI said that, overall, orders had been dampened by weaker export growth, with exports from every region in Britain being worse in the three months to January Exports fell in East Anglia, Yorkshire and

the North, with slower export growth in other areas leading to a stagnation in orders overall. But manufacturers in the South West, Scotland and Northern Ireland saw exports continuing to rise.

While future expectations across all the regions on both overall orders and exports are more optimistic than past performance, the CBI emphasised again that such expectations have not been fully realised for demand, combined with excessive stock levels, meant that output remained sluggish, with manufacturers in seven regions recording a slowdown or fall.

Despite an despite an overall decline in levels varied significantly between regions. with firms in Northern Ireland, East Anglia, Scotland and the East Midlands indicating they were more optimistic than

No sign of rate cut after Chancellor meets George

By JANET BUSH, ECONOMICS CORRESPONDENT

Chancellor, appeared to changed after his meeting yesterday with Eddie George, Governor of the Bank of England.

There was no statement ifter the meeting and the Bank carried out its normal money market operations at unchanged rates. In spite of another rash of weak economic data in recent days, another rare cut was not

KENNETH CLARKE, the expected after quarter-point cuts moves after both the

Mr George expressed some reservations about the cut in December, strongly opposing a half-point move, and was studiously silent on the cut last month, prompting speculation that he disagreed with the Chancellor.

In these circumstances, the City would have been surprised if Mr Clarke had

ordered yet another cut. However, there is still strong expectations that base rates will fall to 6 per cent from 6.25 per cent after the March meeting.

The Central Statistical Office yesterday published the latest cyclical indicators for the economy, showing that the longer leading index, supposed to signal turning points in the economy around a year ahead, is still

Giotto, Brunelleschi, Bramante, Donatello, Raffaello, Leonardo, Botticelli, Masaccio, Mantegna, Michelangelo. In other words: welcome to Florence.

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Morgan Crucible continues expansion

Morgan Crucible, the ceramics to materials group. has paid £14.5 million for an 80 per cent interest in Magna Industrial Company of Hong Kong.

Morgan Crucible, which spent £35 million on three US businesses in March 1995, has an option to buy the remaining 20 per cent of Magna, which mainly supplies speciality lubricants and maintenance chemicals through worldwide network distributors.

Senior grows

Senior Engineering, the manufacturer of tubing and thermal engineering components, has acquired Jackson Industries, an American business, £5.1 million, and Habia Teknofluor of Sweden for £2.6 million. Both acquisitions are involved in making Teflon hose products and will form part of Flexonics, a Senior subsidiary.

Bank jobs cut Bankgesellschaft Berlin. Germany's sixth largest bank, plans to cut 1,900 of its 16,900 workforce by the end of 1998. The bank said it proposes to focus on direct banking telephone banking and discount

Dispute ends

Airtours, the holiday company, said a legal dispute with the Asprou family arising from its acquisi-tion of Aspro holidays in 1993 has been resolved, and a sum of money has been paid to Airtours. The company said the terms of settlement remain confidential.

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Philip Bushill-Matthews, the managing director of Red MillSnack Foods, at the company's Midlands plant. Continental Foods, which acquired Red Mill in 1994, yesterday reported that pre-tax profits had increased to 5807,000 from £432,000 for the half year to October 31. The interim dividend is lifted to 1.15p a share from 1p

Packard Bell gets \$650m boost from NEC and Bull

PACKARD BELL, the fast growing American personal computer maker, is to mount a challenge for the world mar-ket after an injection of \$650 million in cash and businesses from its Japanese and European partners.

NEC, the Japanese combine that owns a fifth of Packard Bell, is to provide \$280 million of extra capital in exchange for preference shares. Groupe Bull, the state-controlled French computer champion, is to sell Zenith Data Systems, its US-based personal computer business, to Packard Bell, likewise for preference shares. Bull also owns a fifth of the US company and is in turn 17 per cent owned by NEC. The sale will help the commercial turnround of Bull, after what the European Commission insisted should be the last injection of state aid.

The double deal is aimed at giving Packard Bell enough cash to integrate the technically strong but financially vulnerable Zenith and to expand outside America, it should also cement the existing threeway alliance in technology, manufacturing and distribu-tion and accelerate development of multimedia products. Beny Alagem, founder and chief executive, has made Packard Bell the fourth big-

gest personal computer mak-

er. In 1995, it supplied 3.1 million units and took 5.2 per cent of the world market. It ranks after Compaq Computer (10 per cent), IBM (8 per cent.) and troubled Apple

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Computers (7.8 per cent), with NEC itself ranking fifth. Packard Bell's share depends heavily on the slower growing US market, where it dominates retail sales of personal computers sold through shops and is second only to Compaq in overall sales.
Adding Zenith's \$1.3 billion

will bring Packard Bell's an-nual sales to \$5.5 billion and allow it to leapfrog Compaq to become US market leader, with about 13 per cent. Mr

Alagem aims to have his company's shares quoted in Packard Bell has low-cost

manufacturing plants, including a French factory that makes frames for Bull. In future, NEC may share more Packard Bell production facilities outside Japan.

Adding Zenith, plus closer co-operation with NEC. should also enable it to widen and to upgrade its product range. Zenith has a new range of laptop computers selling into the French public sector market and the American corporate market.

largest insurance company,

will in future include details of

short-term investment gains

in assets held in the money

markets when it reports half

and year-end results, the com-

Union directive, which affects

all EU insurers, two sets of

performance figures must be

reported. The first is operating

profit, which has been used in

previous results to show invest-

ment gains smoothed out over

a five-year period. The second

is pre-tax profit, which must

include gains made either on

paper or through selling stocks

Jim Jack, group financial

director, said payments to UK

with-profits policyholders or

shareholders are affected

over a one-year period.

Under a new European

pany said yesterday.

Singapore to join in talks on jet project

BY ROSS TIEMAN NOVISTRIAL CORRESPONDENT

SINGAPORE is to join a Chinese-led consortium in talks with British Aerospace and other European planemakers about developing a 100-seat passenger jet.
Inclusion of Singapore

Aero) in the \$2 billion project will reinforce the technical capabilities of the Asian partners as the Europeans appear set to beat Boeing of America in the beauty contest being conducted from Peking.

Boeing's launch of the 737-600 aircraft last year, targeted at the same market segment and its inclusion of Japanese partners on the larger Boeing 777 programme appears to have undermined its credibility as a potential partner.
But with Fokker now in

administration, the European consortium, comprising BAe. Aerospatiale of France, and Alenia of Italy is clear favour-ite to take a 20 per cent stake in a programme expected to sell 1.000 aircraft worth \$20

According to an ST Aero official quoted by Reuter, Aviation Industries of China (AVIC) and ST Aero "will work together to select a Western partner". The comment appears to undermine the role of Korean partners, whose demands for a second production line and a 35 per cent stake in the project have been cold-shouldered by the Chinese Government.

However, efforts to keep the Koreans involved, as a components supplier, will continue to reduce the prospect that they will build a rival aircraft. Rolls-Royce has secured a \$150 million order for Trent 800 engines to power six Boeing 777 sub-jumbo jets

changes are purely cosmetic.

. The aim of the directive is to

bring into line the accounts of

all participating EU insurers so that a UK company's

results are compiled in the

same way as those of a French

year results and 1995 half-year

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would most reliably reflect

Under the new system, total

operating profit to 1994 was £693 million (£603 million

under the old system), while

pre-tax profit was £358 million

£603 million). A haif-year

1995 operating profit of £304

million becomes £390 million,

while pre-tax profit rises from £335 million to £499 million.

underlying performance.

or German company. The Prudential, which yes-terday reissued its 1994 full-

ordered by Singapore Aircraft Leasing, a subsidiary of Sin-Pennington, page 25 | gapore Airlines.

Prudential results

take new format

By MARIANNE CURPHEY

PRUDENTIAL, the UK's because the accounting

US trade deficit falls to 18-month low AMERICA'S deficit on goods and services fell sharply in

November to its lowest level for more than 18 months, largely reflecting weaker imports as the economy slowed down last year and softness in the dollar which helped US exporters. The deficit plunged by 13.5 per cent to \$7.06 billion from a revised shortfall of \$8.16 billion in October and compared with Wall Street expectations of a deficit of \$8.3 billion.

Exports rose 0.9 per cent in the month, while imports fell 0.7 per cent. The politically-sensitive deficit with Japan fell 13.6 per cent to \$4.13 billion in November, the lowest that it has been for more than two-and-a-half years. America's merchandise trade deficit, which excludes services, fell to \$12.5 billion from \$13.7 billion in October, while its surplus on services, such as travel and tourism, narrowed to \$5.4 billion from \$5.6 billion. Some economists expressed concern that the huge improvement in the trade performance may be another sign of the weakness of the domestic economy which is continuing to hit imports.

Govett counter claim

AMERICAN ENDEAVOUR, a US investment group, said that the Govett Group had filed an answer in the Royal Court of Jersey to its damages claim. The Govett Group, now owned by Allied Ireland Bank, also filed a \$450 million counter claim: to the effect that American Endeavour's actions had cost the group the purchase of Duff and Pheips, an American broker firm, and a subsequent loss in value. The orginal claim accused Goven Group and Arthur Treuger, its chairman, of fraud and mismanagement of American Endeavour funds.

German jobless rise

UNEMPLOYMENT in Germany is expected to rise above the four million mark, as well as the 10 per cent level, according to figures due to be published today but reported in the Frankfurier Rundschau newspaper yesterday. The newspaper said that non-seasonally adjusted unemployment in Germany rose by 368,336 to a record 4.188 million in January. The report also said that the unemployment rate rose to 10.8 per cent from 9.9 per cent in

Angerstein savings

ANGERSTEIN Underwriting Trust, reporting its first financial results since acquiring Delian Lloyd's Investment Trust, said it expects savings of £500,000 to arise in the first year following the merger, increasing to £650,000 in subsequent years. Angerstein reported net revenue of £1.65 million after tax for the half-year to November 30, an increase of 12.1 per cent over the first half of the previous year. The net asset value has increased 7.9 per cent to 98.88p a share. There is an interim dividend of 1.1p a share, up from 0.8p.

Inquiry into Scania aid

THE European Commission has launched an inquiry into Fr24 million of state subsidies offered to Scania, the Swedish lorrymaker, as part of Fr50 million aid to build an assembly plant in Angers in northwest France. The EC said it had serious doubts about the use of the funds. in 1990 the Commission approved aid of Fri90 million to Scania, then called Saab-Scania. But Scania dropped the project after receiving Fr50 million in 1992. French authorities last month said Scania would return Fr26 million plus interest.

IT group's shares dive

SHARES in Learmonth & Burchett Management Systems, the information technology group, slumped 174p from 323p because of a shortfall in revenue. Learmonth, which lost 55.25 million before tax in the financial year to April 30, 1995; saidthat it would report a net loss in the three months to January 31. The company said that the shortfall in revenue was related primarily to business outside the US and training service. revenues worldwide.

Headlam rights issue

HEADLAM GROUP, the distributor of floor coverings and fabrics, is raising £183 million through a rights issue to fund two acquisitions. The company is to buy Mercado Holdings, a UK distributor of carpets, for up to £11 million, and Malie Group, a Dutch carpets and soft furnishings business, for 19.7 million. Headlam is offering one new share for every four held at 185p each: Existing shares rose 8p to 220p. Headlam estimates that 1995 profits were not less than £7.7 million before tax, rising from £5.8 million in 1994.

Rivals show interest in Coal Investments

BY ROSS TIEMAN, INDUSTRIAL CORRESPONDENT

EFFORTS to rescue Coal Investments, the mining group apparently forced into administration by a cash-flow crisis, gathered pace yesterday. JOHN 1310OL Muraoch

McKillop and Peter Tuch. administrators from Arthur Andersen received a large number of expressions of interest from rivals and potential buyers. RJB Mining, Britain's largest coal producer, said it was watching the situation, and expressed sympathy for CI's 1,500 miners and staff.

coalmines of state-owned British Coal in December 1994, declined to take on four of CI's

six pits at that time. Nor does RJB have any e of capacity: rather, it would benefit from the loss of a competitor in a market

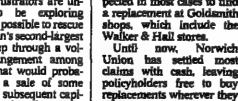
facing further falls in demand. The administrators are understood to be exploring whether it is possible to rescue part of Britain's second-largest mining group through a voluntary arrangement among creditors. That would probably involve a sale of some

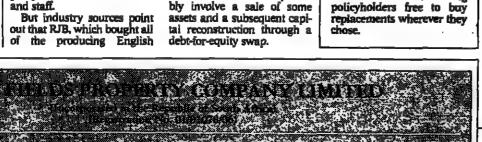
Goldsmiths forges link with NU

GOLDSMITHS GROUP, the jewellery retailer, has linked up with Norwich Union, the insurer, to provide replacement jewellery and watches to the company's claimants

Norwich Union customers who have jewellery or watches stolen will be expected in most cases to find a replacement at Goldsmith shops, which include the Walker & Hall stores.

Until now, Norwich Union has settled most





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Dividends will be electronically transferred to members' bank or building society accounts on 13 March 1996 or, where this method of payment has not been mandated, dividend warrants will be posted to members on 12 March 1996.

The standard conditions relating to the payment of dividends are obtainable from the share transfer office and the London Office of the company. The register of members will be closed from 24 February to 1 March 1996, inclusive.

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A new world power in computers 🗆 Executives' role in a stakeholder society 🗆 Barriers to the German telecoms market

GIL AMELIO, boss of struggling Apple Computers, could hardly have been greeted by worse news in his first week. Packard Bell, which has taken Apple's second spot in the American market for personal computers, is being mightily armed to assault faster-growing European and Far East markets too.

The three-way deal between Packard Bell, NEC, of Japan, and Bull, the state-promoted French computer champion, illustrates, in super, user-friendly colour graphics, the weaknesses of the pc pioneer. Beny Alagem's Packard Bell prospers because it is a low-cost manufacturer. Like Compaq, the market leader, it relies on the research overheads of component and software developers

such as Intel and Microsoft. Now it has cemented a powerful tri-continental alliance that should speed development of upmarket and multi-media products and broaden distribution. No matter that Bull is doubtless pleased to be shot of Zenith, part of new manage-ment's plan to wean France's spoilt child off state aid. It helps to build a stronger global competitor and lowers costs on. new generation mass market won number two spot in Japan products such as portables, but suffered as much from

The worm at Apple's core

By contrast, Apple continues to sadlle itself with much of its own costly software and hardware development. That is in part bacause it has not formed such strong strategic alliances, in turn because it does not want to give away its best secrets. When needy IBM tried an offer in 1994. Apple wanted more. Now it shares are barely two thirds of the price. . . .

In America, which accounts for almost two fifths of the world market, growth is slowing, putting ever more pressure on costs and to share overheads. Industry analysts still expect 13 per cent growth this year, but most of that is replacement demand. Where computers are still spreading, the market is growing faster, by 70 per cent in Japan last year and a third in Europe. Pressure on margins is still intense, as even Compaq found last year. Apple, which lost \$69 million in the usually most profitable Christmas quarter,

intense competition there as from sluggish sales at home and its long failure to crack the dominant corporate market.

The mass personal computer market is past the era of a thousand flowers blooming. The future rests with relatively few global firms. NEC/Packard Bell/Zenith will surely be one of them, together almost matching Compag's 10 per cent of the world market. After Microsoft bridged the technical gap with Windows 95, Apple is in danger of becoming the Sony Betamax of the pc world unless it links or specialises. Mr Amelio needs all his good friends.

The limits to accountability

THERE was a time when being a company director was a doddle. Long lunches with the people who put the work your way and Friday afternoon on the golf course — you remember how it was, old boy.

PENNINGTON



In the 1980s, the culture switched to a 15-hour day, power break-fasts and the devil take the hindmost. It may have meant burn-out at 50, but again you knew where you were.

Now we are all squaring up to a stakeholder democracy even if no one knows what this entails.
At the social level, it means having enough of a stake in society not to burn your surroundings down periodically out of sheer frustration at your economic impotence.

For the executive, it should involve an end to a business culture red in tooth and claw.

plans, ill-defined and inchoate their suppliers to the wall though they may be, for a through sharp business practice, stakeholder culture will not rebut, notwithstanding recent require extensive legal changes to those Companies Acts that define the duties of directors.

An analysis out today from Bristol University claims, too, that no large-scale changes to corporate governance law will be necessary for UK firms to be-come "stakeholder companies". Professor John Parkinson, a legal academic at Bristol, says there is a slackness of legal control over business policy".

But this is a blessing, not a disadvantage. Any redefinition of directors' duties to take in interested parties other than shareholders, such as customers, suppliers, employees and the wider community, would not, he says, reduce accountability, because the system does not provide much accountability as it s. For directors and companies, there is no legal obligation to behave in a short-termist way.

It may be in the short-term interests of businesses to drive

but, notwithstanding recent re-marks by Michael Heseltine, it makes no long-term sense.

Will BT dial a better service?

☐ BRITISH TELECOM and its new German partners, Viag and RWE, are taking on Deutsche Telekom in Europe's biggest telecommunications market. Their goal is to capture as many as 15 per cent of the residential and business customers after deregulation in 1998.

In spite of the muscle and talent that the trio can offer, this looks over-ambitious. BT need only to consider the experience of its home market. When Mercury arrived in 1984, the company intended building a network and offer a portfolio of services that would challenge BT's monopoly. Mercury, of course, failed. BT, the nimble leviathan, has given up little more than 10 per cent of

the market in the vast majority of service areas. BT would be fool-ish to expect Deutsche Telekom to fight any less furiously. What is more, the BT-Viag-RWE consortium will emerge as only one of several upstart groups vying with Deutsche Telekcom. In case anyone has forgotten, Cable and Wireless, which has infinitely more overseas experience than BT does, also has designs on Germany and has formed a

broad partnership with Veba. Mercury proved that competing on price alone is no recipe for success. In Germany, BT will not only have to be cheap, but must offer better and more innovative services. That won't be easy.

Confusion insured

UTHE rigmarole forced on UK insurers by the EU insurance Accounts Directive is a peculiarly pointless one even by the Eurocrats' standards. The Pru et al will have to publish a set of figures that is supposedly standardised with their peers across Europe, showing wild fluctuations in profits as invest-ments rise and fall in value. Insurance company accounts have never been that transparent; the new Euro-accounts will be opaque indeed.

Battle to revive **O&R** nears an end

THE long-running battle to resuscitate Owen & Robinson, the sportswear retailer is nearly over, with news of a £5.48 million capital injection that should see its shares relisted next month after an eight-month suspension.

If successful, O&R will be the first publicly quoted company to be saved from administration while its trading subsidiary is saved simultaneously from company voluntary arrange-ment. O&R's shares were suspended at 16p last July a far cry from the 782p they commanded in May 1991.

The company also reshake up involving the departure of five of six directors and the appointment, of Maurice Dwell as executive chairman, a post he held until 1992. Rodney East and Keith Miles have been appointed non-executive director and finance

director respectively.

The E5.48 million is being raised by way of a placing and open offer at lop a share. The new and existing shares are expected to start trading on

March 4. O&R revealed a loss of £4.2 million (£81,000 profit) in the six months to July 31.

BT alliance to put £1.5bn into German operation

THE alliance formed yester day by BT and its German industrial partners will invest about £1.5 billion to launch a competing service to Deutsche Telekom, the state telecommunications group which will lose its monopoly in 1998. BT said that the alliance's goal is to capture 10 per cent to 15 per cent of the German market.

BT formed the partnership with RWE, one of Germany's largest electricity, gas and water suppliers, and Viag, an industrial group, which both have telecoms arms.

Sir Peter Bonfield, BT's chief executive, said: "We welcome the approach taken to regulation in Germany, which has provided the regulatory environment so that these three companies can plan how to tackle these markets."

Deutsche Telckom is scheduled to be privatised later this year and the entire German market, Europe's biggest, will be thrown open to competition a year later. Several groups, including Cable and Wireless and Veba, its partner, will be competing with BT's alliance for market share. BT has said it expects Deutsche Telekom's market share to decline to

about 80 per cent by 2005. BT, RWE and Viag will attack both the residential and business market. BT will provide the marketing skills and much of the technology while RWE and Viag, whose activi-

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Sir Inin Vallance, left, BT chairman, with Sir Peter Bonfield, the company's chief executive

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BT said it will try not to compete on price alone. It noted that Mercury Communfeations, its main rival in Britzin, had made little progress by attempting to undercut BT. The ownership structure of the German alliance has not been determined yet, though each of the partners is expected to have a one-

ties give it access to about 80 third share. Separately, BT per cent of the German population, will provide infrastrucits French partner until the autumn. It had previously stated that a partner would be chosen by the end of last year.

The delay suggests that BT is having trouble finding a suitable candidate in continental Europe's second largest telecoms market. France is the biggest hole in its European portfolio; alliances have already been formed in Italy and Spain.

Country Casuals advances

SHARES in Country Casuals, the high street clothing retailer, reached their highest level for more than a year after the company announced a 9 per cent growth in sales in the fourth quarter (Alasdair Murray writes). The share price rose 4p to

close at 154p. The company said it performed strongly in the weeks leading up to Christ-mas while maintaining margins. It added that, although its early January sales were disappointing, a pick-up in January resulted in a 6 per cent increase in sales on a like-for-like basis.

Country Casuals has struggled since its flotation at 130p in 1992. In October, John Shannon, former chairman, launched a £26 million bid for the company which failed. He has since sold his 18.8 per cent stake in the company for a profit of £5 million. Tempus, page 26

BAA raises £260m to aid expansion By PAUL DURMAN

BAA, the company that runs seven UK airports including Heathrow and Garwick, yesterday raised £260 million through an issue of convertible bonds.

The move puts BAA in a stronger position to bid for the Australian airports being privatised late this year.

BAA also announced a 14 per cent increase in pre-tax profits to £374 million for the nine months to December 31. Passenger numbers increased by 5.9 per cent to 73.4 million. a rise that has continued into January.

A BAA spokesman said the bond issue took advantage of cheap money in the convertible market. The bonds will pay interest at 5.75 per cent and can convert to ordinary shares at a price of 576p, nearly 18 per cent above yesterday's mid-market price

While BAA awaits the outcome of the Heathrow Terminal 5 inquiry, it is pressing

ahead with international expansion. It has formed a consortium with the insurer Australian Mutual Provident and the New South Wales superannuation authority to buy one or more of Sydney. Perth, Melbourne or Brisbane airports, Australia's biggest.

Stansted was again the fastest-growing of BAA's airports. But Heathrow, up 2.6 per cent in January, has grown by 4.9 per cent over the last year. The airport handled 54.2 million passengers in the year to end January, out of a BAA total of 92.2 million. Heathrow's current maximum capacity is about 60 million.

For the nine months, BAA's income from traffic and airport charges was £380 million. up by 4.5 per cent from £364 million. Passenger spending generated net retail income of £313 million, a 10 per cent rise. Property income rose by 11.4 per cent to £157 million.

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Prowting warns on profits

BY PAUL DURMAN

THE weak housing market claimed another victim yesterday when Prowting, the South of England housebuilder, said that its profits had been hit by patchy demand and fierce price competition.

Prowting's shares fell 11p to 102p as its broker cut its profit forecast for the year from £9.5 million to £6 million. Prowting made £9.6 million in the year to February 28, 1995.

Terry Roydon, chief executive, blamed intense price pressure in November and December. He said: "Housing had almost become a commodity product. Quality was not being paid for. Buyers were simply getting the best deals that they could."

The company said it was reluctant to drive volumes at the expense of margins. The poor sales at the end of

the year nullified a good September and October. Mr Roydon said second-half sales would be a little above 600 homes, only slightly better than the first half. The average selling price would be about £87,000, a few thousand short of Prowting's target. Another factor was a higher secondhalf interest charge. Mr Roydon said the market

in the West Country was particularly tough. We are not seeing the number of people retiring from the Home Counties that we used to," he said. Steve Charnock, analyst at Charterhouse Tilney, the bro-

ker, expects the market's difficulties to continue, and more profit warnings. He said the dearer land bought in 1994 was only now showing through in results.

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Smith & Nephew offers a touch of brightness

A WAVE of buying from the US enabled Smith & Nephew. the healthcare group, to pro-vide one of the few bright features in an otherwise dull

The shares ended 4p better at 1892p in heavy turnover that saw almost II million shares change hands. But brokers were quick to rule out the revival of bid speculation. They say this latest surge of Institutional support is based on fundamentals alone.

It coincides with a change of heart by several leading brokers recently. UBS is believed to have started the ball rolling by turning positive on the shares. On Tuesday, it was the turn of ABN Amro Hoare Govett, which came our with a buy recommendation. It stretches the rise in the share price during the past week to llp.

The rest of the equity market was showing signs of strain as an early mark-up quickly ran out of steam and share prices were left to their own devices. Growing political worries and further concern about the economic revival have begun to take their toll on sentiment.

In the event, the FT-SE 100 index chose to ignore another record-breaking run over-night on Wall Street — its ninth so far this year - to end 21.4 points down at 3.726.1. Total turnover was 705 million

shares. Gche, the German pharmaceutical distributor, finally made its move and launched a counter-bid for Lloyds Chemists, up 23p at 467p. Gehe is offering 450p a share, valuing the chemist at £557.4 million. The offer from UniChem is worth 404p a share, or £500

Dieter Kammerer, chairman of Gehe, said the terms were generous and compared favourably with those of UniChem. City speculators are now anxious to see if UniChem will raise its initial offer above that of the German company. Brokers say it has scope to do so, offering up to 480p a share before the bal-UniChem responded to the move with a 3p rise to 248p.

A flurry of speculative buy-ing lifted United News & Media, publisher of the Daily Express. Sunday Express and Daily Star. 29p higher to 624p. The group, headed by Lord Stevens of Ludgate, has refused to confirm or deny claims that it is poised to



Shares in Lord Stevens's United News & Media rose

dispose of the Express titles. The story was circulating in the Square Mile last year, with Tony O'Reilly, the Irish financier and HJ Heinz chairman, named as a potential buyer along with Sir Andrew Lloyd Webber, the composer. By the close of business more than 4 million shares had changed hands in a market where traders normally make a price

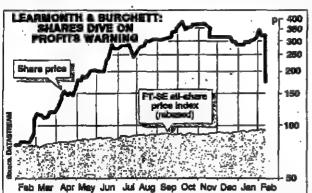
million to £349 million. A profits warning left Prowting ilp lower at 102p and served to highlight the problems continuing to be faced by companies in the building and construc-tion industry. Sales of homes in the past two months of 1995 were sharply down on the corresponding period. Brokers immediately began reducing their forecasts, with

John Waddington, the packaging group, fell 5p to 197p. Wise Speke, the Newcastle-based broker, has placed 5.2 per cent of the company. which had been overhanging the market with various clients. The 5.4 million shares were placed at 190p. They are believed to have been the holding of Threadneedle Investment Managers.

in 25,000 at a time. Speculative buying was also good for Mirror Group, up 6½p at 201p. and Pearson, 5p better

A profits downgrading left GKN nursing a fall of 28p to 825p. Brokers are becoming worried about deteriorating conditions in the automotive market. Charterhouse Tilney, the broker, has slashed its profit forcecast from £363 the likes of Panmure Gordon. the broker, slicing £3.5 million from its estimate of £9.5 million. Other brokers have settled on a final outcome of about £6 million.

BAA Group, the indepen dent airport operator, failed to benefit from a sharp jump in quarterly figures, with the shares closing 3p lighter at 486p as investors switched out of the ordinary and into the



the first nine months of the year were up from £328 million to £374 million. Brokers appeared pleased with the near 6 per cent rise in passenger traffic during January.

Rolls-Royce, the aero-enne maker, dipped 3p to 214p in spite of securing two major contracts. It has been asked by Singapore Aircraft Leasing Enterprise to supply its new Trent engine to power six Boeing 777's in a deal worth £100 million. The group has also clinched a Canadian deal for its gas turbine industrial version of the Trent engine to supply electrical power to Ontario Hydro and process steam to a paner mill.

Headlam Group, the floor-coverings and fabrics distributor, raced up 8p to 220p on news that it plans to raise £18.3 million by way of a rights issue on the basis of one-forfour at a heavily discounted 185p. The money will be used to finance the acquisitions of Mercado, the carpets and floorcoverings distributor, and Malie Group, of The Netherlands. The total purchase price of both companies is £20.7 million.

Frost Group, the indepen-dent petrol retailer, advanced a further 15p to 138p, reflecting this week's decision by Mercury Asset Management to increase its holding in the company with the purchase of an extra 1.7 million shares, It takes its total holding to 15.4

GILT EDGED: Prices in London closed higher in spite of political concerns and the lack of anything firm emerging from the monthly meeting ween Kenneth Clarke, the Chancellor, and Eddie George, Governor of the Bank of England.

Brokers said that gilts recovered from a hesitant start encouraged by a technical rally among German bunds. In the futures pit, the March series of the Long Gilt touched £109½ before ending £% better Among conventional issues.

£1532 to £1072132, while at the shorter end, Treasury 8 per cent 2000 finished 14 better at NEW YORK: Wall Street shares lost ground in early trading, more because of a

lack of buyers than aggressive selling. At midday, the Dow Jones industrial average was down 2.89 points to 5,456.72.

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A German spoiler

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THERE is a hint of panic in Gehe's competing and that is key to Gehe's strategy in bid for Lloyds Chemists. The German yesterday's bid. pharmaceunical wholesaler has plenty of reasons to want to own the 800-strong retail. chain but they are tactical, not strategic. Even if Gehe fails, it will have achieved part of its objective by raising the cost of UniChem's

Gehe's main interest is wholesaling, a slimmargin business in which it boasts a leading position in Germany and France and last year acquired a 30 per cent share in the UK. buying AAH, the principal rival of UniChem. The Germans readily admit that AAH is currently a less efficient wholesaler than UniChem, making less margin and operating from 16 depots, compared with UniChem's 11 sites. Gehe intends to shut down two AAH depots, but the rationalisation is taking time

The Germans are attempting to rubbish UniChem's claim that it will achieve most of a total cost-saving of £20 million in one year following the bid. UniChem may be optimistic, but Gehe's reckoning that integration will take three to four years seems unduly long to close down surplus depots.

Gehe is not desperate to own a large retailer its own retail chain is considerably smaller than UniChem's. But Gehe cannot afford to let its rival pick up big savings in bulk purchasing and logistics at low cost. The marker rightly believes UniChem's estimate of savings is conservative and an increased offer looks imminent. But if Gebe forces the British company to issue more shares it may feel it has successfully spoilt the party.

Redland

REDLAND was bounced into displaying a wish list to the market this week. However, the chances of it achieving all the objectives look slim, and the benefits for shareholders are questionable. Redland is considering the sale of its bricks operations and an increase in control of Braas, the succes fui German roof tiles business in which Redland has a 51 per cent interest.

Braas is the precious stone in Rediand's indifferent collection of brick and storie businesses. Last year, it gen-erated more than half of Redland's operating profit. but contributed a much smaller percentage of Red-land's huge dividend, the reason being that the Braas minority shareholders are not altogether happy at see-ing the British parent siphon

too much cash from the company. Redland secured ment to increase the Braas payout rate last year, high dividend and high overseas earnings leave Redland with a cash flow problem.

The price for control of Brans could be very high. Despite the slowdown Germany, Braas is the busi-

Braas and distribute the stake to its shareholders. That would leave the rump of Redland highly vulnerable, but even today there is the risk that the attractions of Braas might provoke a pot shot at Redland.

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Housebuilders

TAKING one step back for every two steps forward. housebuilders continue to stagger uncertainly out of day's profits warning from Prowting. The builder's experience is typical: solid advances in early autumn were wiped out by a miserable November and December. Buyers are still shopping around to squeeze an extra few hundred pounds off the price of a semi.

This is bad news for companies like Bryant that chased up land prices in 1994 at the first signs of a recovery that proved illusory. Expenway through the pipeline, putting further pressure on already slim margins. In such a market, specialist builders have proved to be more adept at responding to Berkeley Group grew rapidly

but the builder is now snapping up development sites and buildings for refurbishment in central London, where house prices and volumes are more resiliem..

Part-exchange schemes are proving a headache for builders. Barratt Developments has shown that, aggressively managed, part-exchange can deliver benefits. However, there is a risk in tying up cash in second-hand stock in such a weak market. While the recession continues, investors will do well to avoid builders that rely on volume rather than margins.

Country: " 15 Casuals

SHAREHOLDERS in Country Casuals who resisted the instant gratification of last December's 140p bid are beginning to see their patience

The clothing retailer has had a chequered history since. it was floated in 1992 at 130p. Its core Country Casuals

perform robustly but diversions into new businesses such as Elvi and the ill-fated Koto chains have proved less successful. The spar at the end of 1994 over former chairman Alan Shannon's contract hardly helped the board to concentrate on the real problems of business... But with Mr Shannon sev-

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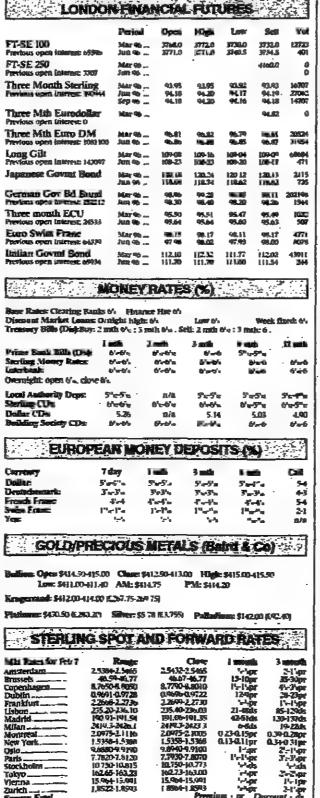
ering all contact with the company, it is beginning to look in better shape with news of a return to profit expected in the spring. Sales are increasing without the need to trim margin and Elvi-the outsize specialist, is also seeing revenue growth. Results for the 1995 finan-

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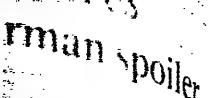
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Firth plays a Trump

MIKE FIRTH, the ebulfient chairman of Yorkshire Food Group, who personally lost £100,000 on his maiden Yorkshire Business Conference at Harewood House last year, is hoping for better luck on May 17.

Even though last year's event included Dr Henry Kissinger, an astronaut, a eneral and the Black Dyke Mills Band, only 1,300 fee-payers came to sit on chairs that were laid out for 2,000 and the marquee had to be "shrunk". This year, tickets sales at £200 a head, including 100 taken by group auditor Coopers & Lybrand, are going so well that the marquee is having to be "stretched".

Firth, having been spurned by six British industrialists, has lined up Donald Trump, the US property entrepreneur, Alert Reynolds, the former Irish PM, Andrew Neil, the broadcaster, CNN's Larry King and Wild Swans author Jung Chang. The NatWest Jazz Band will also be there - to entertain at breakfast and luncheon.

And how much will speakers be paid? "Can't break a confidence," says the man who loves to promote Yorkshire. *But Donald Trump would only be flown across the Atlantic on Concorde."

Right chemistry

CORPORATE love affairs don't last long these days. Germany's Gehe group yesterday threatened to spoil the supposed lovematch between UniChem-and Lloyds Chemist, which had earlier agreed a deal, with its own bid. The first closing date of UniChem's bid is Wednesday - St Valentine's Day.

Happy landing

THE rough and tumble of the airline industry may seem a far cry from bernia operations, but a growing number of senior staff at PPP, the healthcare group, have been schooled in the British Airways manage-ment style. PPPs chief executive Peter Owen is among the flock from BA. followed by Bob Challens, who flew in this week as managing director of the healthcare division. Denis Walker, Brenda Klug, and Jonathan Russell were also once part of BA's big family.

The early bird

TO MAKE sure that the first set of results of the recently unified RTZ and CRA mining groups are given to the stock markets in Australia and London simultaneously on March 7, RTZ-CRA's announcement will be made at 2pm Melbourne time — 3am London time. Set your alarm clocks, chaps.

COLIN CAMPBELL

ECONOMIC VIEW IN

ANATOLE KALETSKY

Public spending is a matter for the public to decide

As long as voters are

content,

there is no crisis in the welfare state

verybody seems to agree that reducing government spendpolitical challenges of our time. And by everyone I do not just mean members of the Major Government, who have suddenly found a rare area of consensus on this point. After spending the past week "brainstorming" with hun-dreds of businessmen and politicians at the World Economic Forum in Davos, I am struck by the remarkable agreement among the global good and the

great on this one point.

Yet, the most fundamental question about public spending is rarely asked and never property answered. How much should the state spend? And how do we even approach an answer? Arbitrary figures, such as 40 per cent of GDP. or 35 per cent, or whatever we happened to spend ten years ago, have neither political resonance nor economic

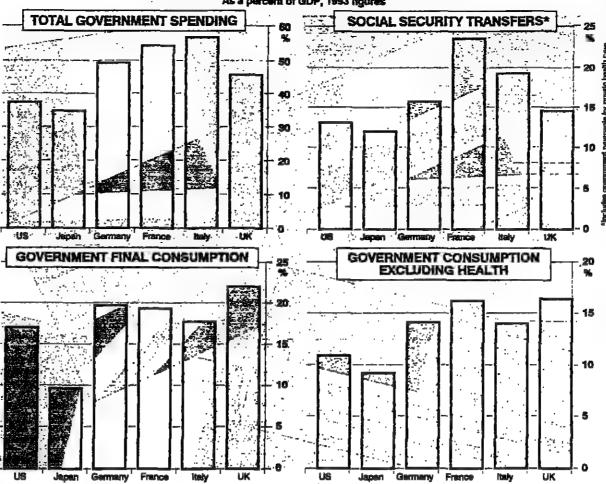
What about international comparisons? Surely in a global market no country can afford to spend much more than its competitors on welfare if it is to keep down its costs and keep its citizens in jobs. European countries cannot allow their governments to spend an average of 53 per cent of GDP when the American Government spends only 37 per cent and the Japanese only 35 per cent. The taxes required to pay for such high levels of public spending inevitably boost costs in Europe and make it impossible for European companies to sell their wares against competitors from countries which are less highly taxed.

This is the standard answer from European businessmen and politicians when they are asked why it is necessary to cut welfare. You will not be surprised to learn, therefore, that it makes no sense at all from an economic point of view.

A country's level of taxes and public spending is not a key influence on its ability to compete in world markets. If it were, then America would have run a huge and growing trade surplus throughout the Reagan period, while Germany would by now have a foreign debt of more than \$1

The reality, of course, is exactly the other way round. A country can choose to spend whatever it wants on government programmes and still maintain both full employment and a balance in its trade with the world. The only proviso (admittedly a big one in Europe these days) is that the country must have an independent monetary policy and a floating exchange rate. Britain could, if it wished,

devote 60 or even 70 per cent of GDP to state spending (like The Netherlands and Swe-



ANATOMY OF THE WELFARE STATE

den). Even if the taxes which paid for this spending were loaded straight on to labour costs, British companies could still remain competitive in world markets; the pound would simply have to fall far enough to offset the extra burden on British costs - and given the attitude of currency markets to high-spending gov ernments such a fall would be quite easy to secure. The drawback of such a policy would be that British living standards — and especially our capacity to buy foreign goods — would fall with sterling, in the end, a country which spent most of its income on bureaucrats and destroyed incentives with excessive taxes, might end up as poor as because it had wasted resources and destroyed incentives, not because of competition from the rest of the world.

Thus the fundamental cuestions that have to be answered in assessing the size of the public sector have nothing to do with global competition; they are about the effects of taxes and public spending on efficiency, incentives and productive investment within a national economy. There can be little doubt that very high tax levels - say, for the sake of argument, 50 per cent plus are likely to damage incentives, efficiency and invest-ment. But when it comes to distinguishing between lower tax and spending levels — say

between 35 per cent and 45 per cent — the answer is less clear. A difference in the structure of the tax system can easily have a bigger impact on incertives than a difference in the overall tax level. A big shift in the tax burden from incomes and employment on to consumption, for example, could do far more to increase investment and work incentives than a cut in the overall burden of tax. Comparing Germany with America again shows this is more than a theoretical quibble. Germany has consistently had a much higher tax burden than America, yet Germany saves and invests

far more than America. If Europe's structural unemployment is related to exceptionally high employment taxes then perhaps the first priority for governments should not be to cut the overall tax burden - a task which will shift the burden from social security taxes to taxes on consumption or incomes. The trou-ble with this policy, of course, is that income and consumption taxes are unpopular with taxes are less "visible" and easier to disguise as "contributions" which will pay for later benefits from the welfare state.

This brings me to the spending side of the ledger. While it is true that total public spend-ing is much higher in continental Europe than in America, Japan and even Britain, this does not necessarily mean that European governments waste more of their national income on employing bureaucrats or that their meddling makes European businesses less efficient.

Governments have many ways of interfering with business decisions even when they do not spend money or raise taxes. Is the regulation of business and finance really more onerous in Italy than in the US? And is Japan really the least regulated of the major industrial countries? Is it obvious that relatively transparent forms of government influence such as taxes and subsidies are more damaging to efficiency than Japanesestyle administrative guidance, not to mention the corruption

and coercion in many smaller Asian countries?

As the charts show, the main reason why public spending is so high in continental Europe is the level of social security spending. But these are not resources used up by government — they are transfers from one part of the private sector to transfer such large sums of money may well reduce incentives, but that will depend on the structure of incentives throughout the whole economy, not just on the crude volume of money that goes

through government accounts. For example, social security transfers are much higher in continental countries than they are in Britain, mainly because European pensions are paid through the government, instead of private pension fund. It is often claimed in Britain that funded pension systems are better because they encourage private savings and invest-ment. Yet, in reality, the level of total private savings and investment is much lower in Britain than in Italy, Germany or France. How can we be so sure, therefore, that the continental countries have suffered from their high social security

private pensions? Another factor boosting social transfers in continental countries (as well as in America) is the system of health financing. Outside Britain, most of the medical care is provided by the private sector. Government insurance reimbursements then count as social transfers. In Britain, by contrast, doctors and nurses are government employees and therefore helath spending counts as "government con-sumption". This is one reason government consumption is actually higher in post-Thatcherite free-market Britain than it is in such "corporate states" as Germany. italy or France (see bottom left chart). As the last right chart shows, however, Britain remains a high public spender even after health is taken out. The fact is that Britain spends far more of its income on defence and policing than most countries - and a slightly higher proportion on ed-

ucation than Germany or

To summarise, the real facts behind the global "crisis" of public spending are ambiguous and confusing, to put it mildly. Neither economic theory nor international experience offers any reliable rules of thumb to tell governments how much they can afford to spend and tax. Within very broad limits, each country can tax and spend as much as it wants — there is no automatic mechanism in the global competition to purish those who spend too much. In the end, it

is up to each country's voters to decide what public services they want and are prepared to

An unsung tale of success for the Treasury

Despite the Jeremiahs, clamping public pay has worked, says Philip Bassett

Then the Government announces today its decisions on the recommendations of the pay review bodies for 1.5 million employees in the public sector, Ministers expect ritual protests from

But behind such wellrehearsed chest-beating from both sides, lies a largely unsung success story for have considerable implications for the current pay round, and for public-sector pay if Labour is elected.

Today's pay review bodies are expected to recommend increases around 4 per cent for teachers, nurses, doctors, dentists, judges, senior civil servants, and other employees in the public sector whose pay is determined by an independent sifting of evidence rather than collec-

Though today's awards cover only about a quarter of employees in the public sec-tor, many other public-sector settlements this year will be ment's decisions.

Four years ago, when the Treasury suddenly announced a public-sector pay, the Jeremiah chorus

overwhelming ence of such policies was that they break down after new report today by the independent pay analysis Incomes Data Services shows - though IDS does not draw out these implications - the policy adopted, without considerable risk, has, within its terms, been a wholesale success.

Firstly, paybill costs — the basis of the restriction on pay — have been kept low, with increasingly difficult freezes on 1993-94 paybill levels maintained on the basis of efficiency and manpower cost savings. Within that, settlement ranges have been tight: up to 1.5 per cent in the first year, and 2 to 3 per cent in the following two years — if anything, a little

below private-sector deals. While that is satisfactory to Ministers in both paybill and settlement terms, it has been satisfactory also for many employees covered by the restriction, who have been able to rack up quite large increases through improved performance, and

yet stay within its terms. With that kind of reality as a counter to the initial opposition of some union leaders, the smarter ones quietly got on with negotiating the deals that the paybill freeze presented - unsurprisingly, perhaps, publicthe dog that did not bark. Treasury Ministers and officials were deeply satisfied with a policy that seemed to succeed on all accounts, and had the added benefit of making some

union leaders look silly. While the looming election might increase the temptation — as IDS sug-gests today — for Ministers to relax the policy to improve the "feel-good" factor. the implications of such patterns of increases may be greater for any future Lab-

our government. Look for a policy on pay in the public sector in old or new Labour, and what you find is a hole. For an issue so sensitive that it brought down the last Labour Government this is odd. The Government charges that, whatever

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became the dog that didn't bark 9 was all but have to reim-— the experiburse its union paymasters if it gets into government. For their part, many public-sector union leaders do

have high expectations on pay, either believing or hoping that Labour will see their members right. Significantly, their claims of unsolved pay-comparability problems, with the underlying threat of strikes, float away if Labour is not elected. This suggests that the much-vaunted problem of pay in the public sector may be one of politics not pay. Despite what looks like a policy hole, Labour may not

need to do anything material about public-sector pay though a future Labour government may have to face down some public-sector, and especially townhall, militants, who may try to use pay as a lever to activate their opposition to Tony Blair's leadership. What this means is that, in

splite of any sound and fury there may be today, neither the Government nor Labour may have to see publicsector pay as much of a problem any longer.

Open skies back on the horizon

lour months after talks on liberalising air routes between Britain and the US broke down, the Americans have hinted that they are keen to restart them. As US transportation officials prepare for discussions with Germany later this month on an "open skies" air pact, the spotlight has fallen once again on Britain's transatlantic relations. After Britain, Germany is the largest

market for US airlines in Europe and is the first large European nation to move to a free-market aviation pact with the US. In a thinly veiled statement last Friday, US officials said they hoped an "open skies" accord with smaller nations would force larger ones to ease their restrictions on foreign carriers. The central issue is US carriers' ac-

cess to Heathrow, the second-busiest airport in the world, after Chicago, and the busiest international air hub. Discussions, which have dragged on for four years, ended in October in Washington with recriminations on both sides

The US accused Britain of protecting British Airways' premier position at Heathrow, while the British were angry at being denied access to US domestic routes, which account for more than half of all flights worldwide. BA has almost 40 per cent of total take-off and landing slots at Heathrow and carries



Stephen Wolf, the new chairman of USAir, is expected to cut costs

through the airport.

Feelings run high on both sides. Restarting talks depends on whether the Americans are still determined to protect their domestic market," one industry source on the British side since last autumn. said. "UK airlines want to be able to fly to the east coast, and then set up routes within the US, but the Americans are German transport and foreign minisreductant to go along with that. The tries and the US transportation departtalks broke up because the US airlines · ment. Also on the Americans' shopping

almost half of all passengers passing could not stop squabbling amongst

themselves." The Department of Transport's official line is that "no date has been set" for full negotiations, although low-level talks are believed to have continued

However, the Americans expect an agreement within weeks between the list is the liberalisation of services between the US and France, Italy and Spain. BA which does a lot of business in Germany, will be watching events

"A US-German deal could be just what is needed to kick-start Whitehall into resuming talks," one American source said. "Seeing an open skies agreement on major European crossborder routes will certainly cause the British Government some discomfort."

The British Government argues that Heathrow is so congested that there are few new arrival and departure slots even for UK airlines. Terminal Five, should it go ahead, would do little to alleviate the problem, with only a small increase likely in the number of flights.

Analysts, however, point to BA's relationship with USAir as a possible catalyst for further talks. (BA has had a 24.6 per cent stake in USAir since 1993.) Last year, USAir announced it was considering deals with other American carriers. USAir has a new chairman, Stephen Wolf, famed for cutting costs at United Airlines and expected to exact a similar turnround at USAir. Should USAir's fortunes improve, BA may be encouraged to seek a three-way alliance, drawing in a larger US carrier.

MARIANNE CURPHEY



ACCOUNTANCY

The devil is in the detail

Richard Watson challenges the

small print of the Finance Bill

titioners combing through this year's Finance Bill may have noticed a number of features that point towards a significant change in the attitude of Customs and

the fine print of the schedules. especially the new landfill tax and the new anti-avoidance provisions on VAT. The latter are designed to counter certain avoidance schemes based on the group registration rules, which essentially allow companies within a group to behave as though they are a single person from a VAT point of view. By juggling with the membership of the group and the timing at which certain transactions are undertaken, it has been possible to avoid considerable amounts of tax. The anti-avoidance legislation is aimed at these "abusers".

It could be argued, without too much stretching of the imagination, that this legislation contains abuses. It will allow Customs to make a direction on the basis of an event which occurs after November 28. 1995, which, in effect, rewrites the history of the group for situation of some uncertainty for companies that are mem-

Style of 'nurse'

too hard to take

FOR the second time, the

council members of the Eng-

lish ICA have balked at the

idea of electing their first

woman president. Instead,

parmer, has won this year's

ballot. The mild-mannered

Michael Groom dropped out

in the first round, and

Swinson has won by a neck

from Sheila Masters, of

KPMG. It was a close-run

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EEN indirect tax prac- bers of VAT groups, or who could be members. Provided the event that triggers the direction occurs after Budget day last year, the direction can have effect back to April I, 1973, when the tax began. Moreover, the rights of appeal to the VAT tribunal against a As ever, these are buried in direction are restrictive.

Landfill tax also contains its diabolical details. Most indirect taxes have a fairly standard provision that provides for the treatment of long-term contracts when tax is introduced or its rate changes. Essentially this enables the supplier to pass on the additional amount of tax as though it had been included when the contract was drawn up.

The landfill tax provision, however, allows the contract to be varied only if "the circumstances are such that (had the change occurred before the making of the contract) it can reasonably be expected that the parties to it would have agreed, as the amount of any payment falling to be made under it, an amount differing

from that actually agreed".

The overall effect seems to be that both parties can argue about what they would have done had landfill tax been introduced at a time when neither of them actually knew



New legislation poses uncertainties, says Richard Watson

In addition, directors of a company liable to pay landfill tax will be jointly and severally liable to pay the tax with the company itself. Customs could pursue a non-executive director for any landfill tax liability of an insolvent company, regardiess of the director's personal involvement or fault. Customs should be asked why

anything about its existence! they think it necessary to contemplate such an exceptional power. The only other taxes to which such a power applies are those on betting and gaming.

For many years, late pay ment of VAT has involved a penalty surcharge, levied only after a warning notice has been given and at rates of between 2 per cent and 15 per

cent of the unpaid tax. The landfill tax legislation replaces this with compound interest levied at 10 percentage points. above the standard interest rate. Currently, this would allow Customs to levy interest at 17 per cent per annum (equivalent to paying 25 per cent before tax relief). The question that needs to

be asked of Customs is whether they are preparing to change their law on all their taxes similarly in favour of the tax collector? Customs are currently conducting a project known as Legis, designed to harmonise as far as possible the administrative procedures of the different taxes. It seems strange to introduce a number of peculiarities into landfill tax if it is not also intended to include them in other taxes.

Tax administration has long been seen as a balance between the taxpayer, who wants to pay the least amount, and the authorities, which want to collect the most. There is nothing inherently wrong or surprising in this, nor is there anything wrong in either side attempting to improve its position. The danger, as always, lies in excess, which renders the operation of the tax system impossible or inefficient. It would be foolish to suggest we are at that point, but if the Finance Bill is a barometer, it

is pointing to "stormy".

Richard Watson is Senior VAT Partner, Price Waterhouse

On the other hand DELOTTE & TOUCHE have

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always stood aloof in any of the arguments about firms avoiding litigation through setting up limited liability partnerships in Jersey. But that doesn't mean to say that they don't see a fee or two in the idea. Walbrook, the firm's offshore service subsidiary, has issued a brochure offering to advise anyone interested.

ROBERT BRUCE

Carrot and stick on the road to reform

the better it becomes, the more people want to ers in a company." improve it or to expand it further. Except, that. For Skerran's idea — that progress should is, for anyone on the inside looking out. This week saw the publication of the English ICA's twenty-seventh annual survey of published accounts. As ever, it provides an excellent guide to how US reporting practice has developed over the past year and, as it has done increasingly, it provides a bit of a kick in the right direction towards apparent corporate laggards.

But the starting point has changed. Normally, there is a great deal of quite justified grumbling about the state of financial reporting. This year a different note is struck. Protessor Len Skerratt is one of the longstanding. editors of the book. He is an understanding. but awkward soul, given to worrying away at things he doesn't like. Being professor at Manchester has honed his northern scepticism, which makes it all the more surprising that he seems to be sounding a celebratory directors stand to make and calculated from

note. Even before you get into the book proper, he has said in the preface that "an important feature of much of the analysis is that the abuses of the 1980s have been substantially reduced or eliminated by the financial reporting standards introduced by the Accounting Standards Board (ASB) over the past few VERITS "

As I said, however, success breeds a desire for things to be even better. Hence Skerratt's next call for action - the whole issue of financial reporting to be widened progressively. Having sorted out many of the old familiar abuses and made accounts more transparent so that new ones are more easily spotted.

the ASB, he argues, should be looking at fresh fields to conquer.
"Another important theme that runs through a number of the chapters," he says, "is that company accounts should extend

beyond reporting a company's financial position and change in financial position over the year." He recognises the reasons behind this. "In part, such arguments have surfaced in recent years just because the ASB has been so successful in resolving many of the previous misinterpretations which gave rise to uninformative reporting." There are other forces at work in Skerratt's words, "the change in emphasis is also a product of the economic environment, the recession. In this sense, there has been a real and significant.

THE problem with financial reporting is that - change in the information needs of stakehold-

continue apace - to happen, there would have to be a significant element of stick rather than carrot applied to finance directors. The chapter in the survey devoted to directors' nenumeration and directors' reports on inter-

nal financial control makes this very clear.

Roy Chandler is the Coopers & Lybrand Fellow at Cardiff Business School and his analysis of the disclosure of directors' remu-neration gets to the heart of the problem. Put simply, he argues that if directors dig in their heels and refuse to go with the spirit of disclosure requirements then all you finish up with is more, rather than less, confusion. Chandler suggests that it is better to be imprecise but clear than pedantically correct and incomprehensible. He suggests that a simple share option calculation based on the potential amount of gain that individual

> the past year's low, mid and high points, would provide a rough and understandable measure. The alternatives simply do not work. "Glib remarks from remuneration committees about being 'robust in setting demanding performance targets' are not going to reassure many investors," he says. Over this, and many financial reporting issues, company directors are their own worst enemies. This is confirmed in Andrew Chambers's incisive chapter on the efforts of directors to report on Internal financial control. Chambers points out that whereas the Cadbury report wanted auditors to report on the effective

ness of a company's internal financial control, a long political battle — mostly waged by finance directors — has resulted in the "effectiveness" element being removed. It is the only part of the Cadbury Code of Best Practice to have been watered down in the implementation. Either finance directors, accountants and external auditors are more prescient than others, or they are more prepared to argue the hind leg off a donkey. And that is why the pace of reform of financial reporting will slew and why company directors have many more embarrassments ahead of them.

*Financial reporting 1995-96, edited by Len Skerratt and David Tonkin, is published by Accountancy Books at £63.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS TO SEE

votes and Masters 41. Presumably Masters's brisk "nurseknows-best" approach to policy was too hard for council members to swallow.

Figuring it out

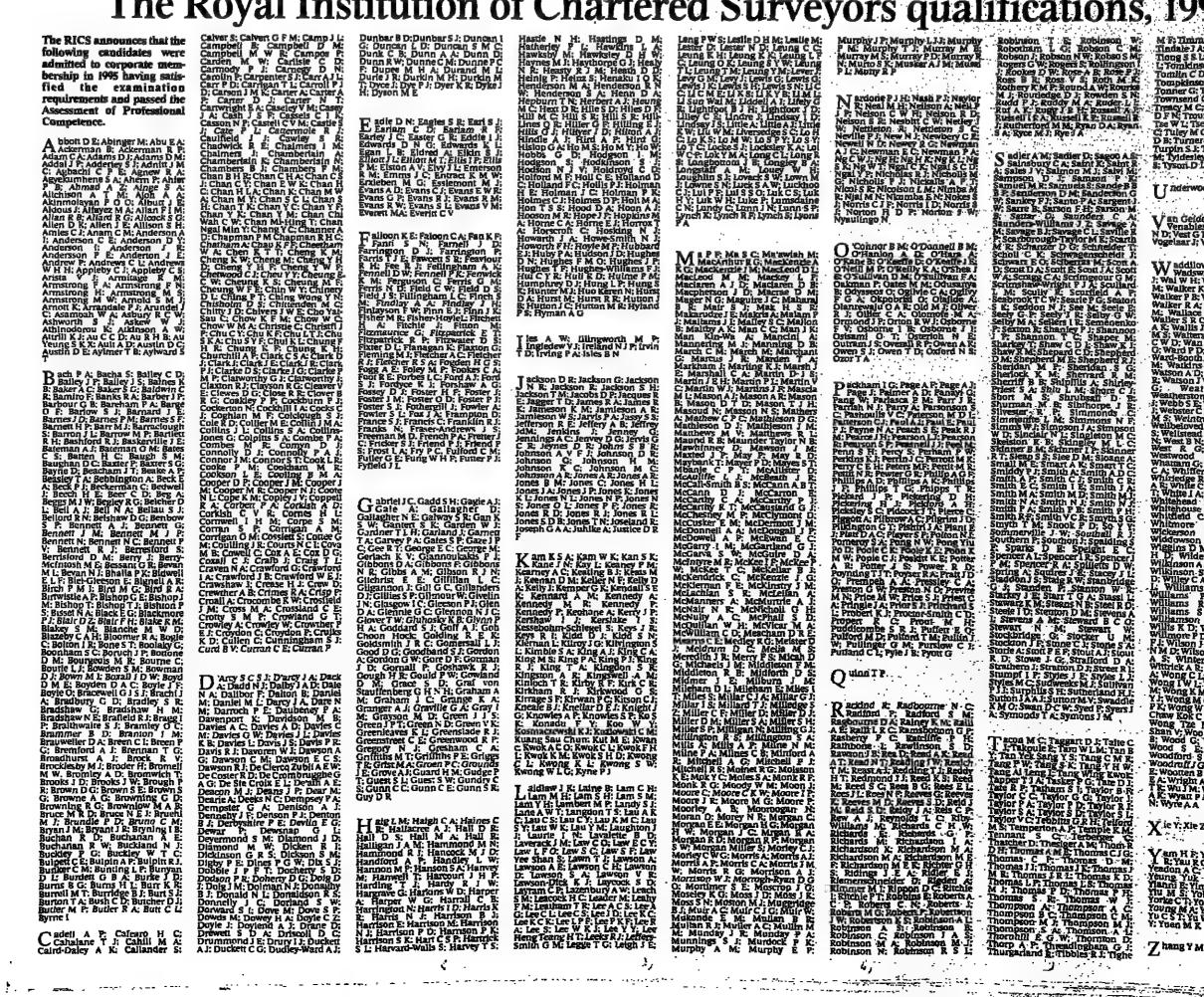
THE night that KPMG revealed their partners' pay co-incided with a dinner of all the Big Six firms' senior pariners and Stuart Bell, the Labour spokesman in charge of ac-countancy issues. Rumour

has it that the new mood of the Labour Party approved of the size of the pay package of Col-in Sharman, KPMG senior partner. Coincidentally, it was also the day when MPs an-nounced that they should be paid more.

Eat for art's sake ERNST & YOUNG are set to paint the town red during their sponsorship of the Cezanne exhibition, which opens

at the Tate Gallery today. The firm is setting to the task with gusto. No fewer than 7,000 guests are due to attend 40 events, starting tonight with the Chancellor of the Exchequer and numerous chairmen and chief executives sitting down to dinner. And in the next few weeks a mountain of food will be consumed - according to E&Y: "Six thousand quails' eggs, 13,000 mushroom parcels and 630 pounds of fresh tuna." The paintings

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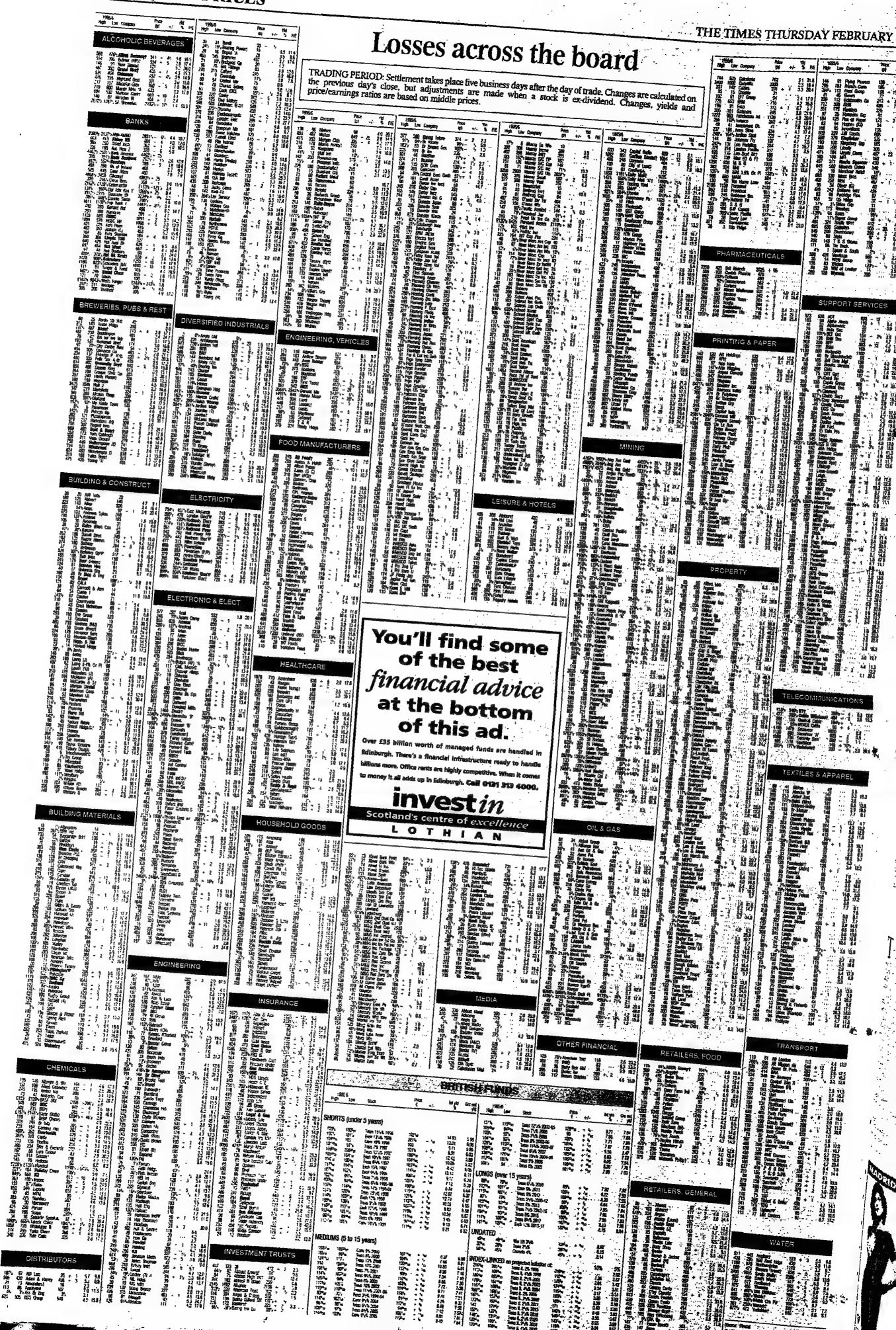
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FILM I

Frances Hodgson Burnett's classic novel, A Little Princess, is updated into a magical movie



FILM 2

In the overblown Clockers Spike Lee roams the mean streets in search of an anti-drug message





FILM 3

Robert Rodriguez's Desperado proves to be a chic bloodbath led by the fast-rising Antonio Banderas



FILM 4 Keanu Reeves

flounders into cyberspace for a 21st-century mistake called Johnny Mnemonic

CINEMA: Geoff Brown hails the unlikely success of an inexperienced director and an old-fashioned children's story

This princess of hearts has grace in spades

has no right to be so good. The director. Alfonso Cuarón, is a Mexican whose only previous cinema movie was Love in the Time of Hysteria, a sex comedy with an Aids background. Scouring the cast list for stars, you find Eleanor Bron plus a heap of nobodies. The story it tells, updated from Frances Hodgson Burnett's novel, was good enough for Mary Pickford in 1917 and Shirley Temple in 1939; but this is 1996, and we don't take to spoilt, self-assured little girls with fancy white coats and frilly hats. Shouldn't this film

make the stomach heave? No. A miracle has occurred and a minor masterpiece is born, right from the moment when Captain Crewe tells his young daughter Sara that she always will be my little princess" and the two dance on ship deck beneath twinkling lights. Burnett set her story in Victorian London, but here it is 1914, and Sara is enroute from a luxurious life in India to a boarding school in New York, where she seems like someone from another planet. As father leaves for the First World War, headmistress Miss Minchin (Eleanor Bron) remarks what a pleasure it will be to take charge of

so charming a girl.
But behind Minchin's smile lies a battle-axe who bans all make-believe after Sara disrupts the school's dull calm by spirming - stories - 1 halism myth. Then, when news suggests Captain Crewe is no more (along with his money), the prize pupil is stripped of all ilendaur io toin the arudo Becky, a black girl, in her dingy quarters in a Gothic tower. Minchin reckons, however, without the power of the imagination; and the same power that sustains Sara keeps the film glowing with wit and splendour.

Displaying uncommon mastery of Hollywood resources, Cuarón weaves a path through three different worlds, conjured up on the studio sound stages and a backlot street exterior. The tales Sara tells from the legend of Ramayana come in eye-

that the actor Ted

was a misleading guide to hi

character. A cigar of that

calibre, which everyone asso-

ciates with caricatures of Hol-.

lywood producers, suggested a man who takes himself over-

tragic that he tries to laugh it

up — "being goofy", as he puts it. Only the environment, for

which he campaigns vigorous-

ly, is beyond a laughing matter for him. He exudes a

confidence that thrives on

charm rather than arrogance. Like many Americans, he can-

break down barriers within

minutes and make you feel that you have known him for

His confidence was not sur-

seriously. Far from it. Danson finds so much of life

Danson was holding up

A Little Princess Warner West End Marvellous adaptation of the children's book

Clockers. Empire 2, 18, 128 mins Spike Lee says "Say no to drugs"

Desperado Warner West End 18, 105 mins El Mariachi again, but. lightning does not strike twice

Johnny

Mnemonic Warner West End 15, 96 mins Futuristic folly with Keanu Reeves Rendez-vous

in Paris Renoir, PG, 100 mins Fresh air from Eric Rohmer Loch Ness

Warner West End PG, 100 mins Too much Ted Danson. not enough monster

creamy whites. The school she spins them in is a menacing dark green. Then, with one snip of the editor's scissors, we squat in the trenches of the First World War, smoke looming, planes diving. Every visual mood is exaggerated, fit for is never stilling.

The performances are pitched with equal care. Sara could easily addear an insui ferable darling, but Liesel Matthews never slips into saccharine smiles. Bron's Minchin is no pantomime ogre, but a genuinely malevolent figure born of spite and repression, and Liam Cunningham lends gravity to the stock figure of the noble father fighting the Hun.

Richard LaGravenese and Elizabeth Chandler's script pays its dues to political correctness, with glancing treatments of oppression through sex and colour, but they never distort Burnett's plot. The only

London hotel, the world's

press was queueing to talk to him about himself and his role

in the new film, Loch Ness.

Danson, who says he is in-

spired by the comic genius of

Alec Guinness and Peter Sell-.

ers, made his fame and fortune through Cheers, the television comedy that ran for

Il years, and for which he was

rumoured to be paid £200,000

Now he is appearing in the lead roles in two productions at the same time. Besides

playing a scientist in Lock Ness, a gentle movie with a

strong environmental message, he will be the one bound fying and replete with magic deserves something better than his banal score

ferings we plunge back into movie in hob-nailed boots, Spike Lee stomps for two more hours as Brooklyn kids get sucked into the spiral of drugs and crime while Harvey Keitel's homicide cop breathes

"You are selling your own people death!", "You ain't nothing but a bunch of deathdealing scum!": every 15 minutes or so mothers and cops turn on their siren wall. One scene collides with the next like cars crashing. Behind the camera, Lee plays rough-textured images against smooth, scatters video game footage: anything to jolt our arm. Lee's social commitment may be exemplary, but his passion is no excuse for bad, ostentatious

could have been different. It stems from a fat novel by Richard Price about life in the housing projects and the lowgrade dealers who work round the clock. Martin Scorsese was originally to direct; in the event Casino called, although he stayed to produce. Even with Lee's film you can mpse something better lurking inside. You note how the cops handle a corpse with the finesse of a butcher manhandling a chicken. You feel kids, for whom crack seems the gateway to success. But then Lee mounts his soapbox;

There is even more violence in Desperado: after one barroom apocalypse, the blood needs mopping from the floor. This film is Robert Rodriguer's reward for making a hit of his shoestring lark El Mariachi: he gets to play with Columbia's millions and bags a fast-rising star, Antonio Banderas, for his lead.

The material is much the same. The Mariachi charac-

Dalya Alberge talks to Ted Danson; environmental

Travels, a series due to be

screened by Channel 4 in the

spring. The series has already

been a huge hit in America.

The broadcast, last weekend,

of the El3 million production,

with its state of the art special

effects and a line-up that reads

like an A-Z of star actors, was.

watched by an astounding 50

million people. Variety en-thused that there was no

weak link in the production".

and Newsweek applauded the stars as the film's special

Danson says that getting away from Sam Malone, the

womanising bartender of

Cheers, was not easy. His

character was so believable

With Hollywood's other of-

the routine. Gunshots. Blood. Dead bodies. Clockers thrusts them in our faces in an opening collage of crime pho-tographs from the New York sidewalks. Having begun his down their necks.

film-making. The pity, is that Clockers

we never feel his moral superi ority. People are killed for the sake of it (one corpse is Quentin Tarantino's); death is worth only a joke. odriguez's black approach to low-budget film-making made El Mariachi a beguiling affair. The capering looks pressure among the much less attractive in Diush surroundings which demand a degree of control this young maverick cannot offer. Desthe film thunders on, then perado soon grows repetitive, and trades genuine excitement for a chic bloodbath. limps to a weak conclusion.

Something stirring beneath the surface

in a bar.)

It was Cheers which en-

Meanwhile, Keanu Reeves is having a problem. In Johnmy Minemonic, his informa-tion courier is carrying 320 gigabytes worth of data in a brain that can only cope with 160. If Johnny does not download soon, he could implode. He is also suffering from memory deprivation. He wants a life - or, as Reeves

ter, a balladeer with a guitar

case full of guns, tangles with

drug barons and a lady of

dubious loyalties. At first,

Banderas's hair is swept back,

Latin charm in full view. Then

he becomes an unkempt,

scowling demon, shooting os

tensibly for revenge, although

"I want room service. I want my shirts laundered."

Laughing at this dreadful film is the audience's means of survival. Everything was geared for fashionable success: a story by William Gibson, the writer who thought up cyberspace"; direction by Robert Longo, the American conceptual artist; and Reeves, newly popular after Speed. But the hands that saved a runaway bus are ill-suited to saving the planet from Nerve Attenuation Syndrome. For that you want some signs of emotion; you certainly want a better script and a director

who gives actors guidance. Longo, however, appears soo wrapped up in technical gadgets to notice human beings. Not so Eric Rohmer. veteran of the French New Wave and 75 this year. Like most of his films, Rendez-vous in Paris flits along on the charms of young people talk-ing, walking, flirting and manoeuvering through the streets and parks of Paris. He does not go in for post-production sheen: in some scenes you can hear the camera's motor whirring. Any artifice is reserved for his script, which presents three tales of love affairs spiked by

Do people really talk in Rohmerese, finding elegant words for all shades of emotions, seeking parallels in park statuary or a Picasso painting? Maybe not, but Rohmer's gift for coaxing natural performances from young actors makes us believe they do. The last segment, a hesitation waltz between a painter, a Swedish visitor and a women encountered at the Picasso museum, is especially crisp and delicious.

Sara (Leisel Matthews) celebrates her birthday in the beautifully executed adaptation of Frances Hodgson Burnett's classic, A Little Princess

There are greater Rohmer films than this featherweight affair: but who else among current directors shows such directness, such sensitivity to people and places, such obliviusness to mashion?

The Loch Ness monster may be a boon to the tourist trade, but it appears to do filmmakers no good. In 1934 The Secret of the Loch failed to charm. Now Lock Ness wastes its potential by chasing pretty scenery, acting quaint, and mooning over the person-al problems of Ted Danson, the American zoologist sent to nail the myth with a sonar scan (see interview below).
Joely Richardson provides romance: John Henderson, from British TV and commercials, directs. It is very dull, but



Every week, young film fans discuss some of the new re-leases. The first panel comes

Louisa Pollock, 18: Quite

CLOCKERS

powerful, very realistic, very weli acted in a documenta style. But it was overlong and I didn't care what happened. Alan Muir. 21: I disagree. It was really punchy, it came right at you. It tried to cut through all the gangster stuff and show you what it is really like to live in the New York projects, where people deal drugs as a way of life and people are killed as a byproduct of that. It showed reality.

Dawn Grant, 21: Not usually the sort of film i go to see, but I thought it was quite moving. I felt really sorry for Strike, the main character: Mekhi Phifer played him really strong. Ross Cowan, 21: I don't think it glamorised violence. The characters acted cold because that's how they would act.

knock your teeth out and bury

DESPERADO

Alan: I tell you, this film will

them in the garden. It's bulletripping, heart-thumping, exosive, it's just amazing. moody, magnificent. Dawn: I can sum it up in one

word: garbage. Ross: Desperado takes black humour and shoots you in the

face with it. It is unrealistic. but that's why I enjoyed it. Louisa: It was gratultously violent. There was blood everywhere, it was completely unbelievable - and I loved it. It was stylish, it was cool, quite like Quentin Tarantino's Pulp Fiction but much funnier. Banderas was brilliant: he smouldered his way through

with dig sexy looks. JOHNNY MNEMONIC

Dawn: It took me a long while to get into it, because the acting is so hammy. Keanu Rerves is a good actor as long as he keeps his mouth shut. Ross: It started off like Star Wars and I thought it was going to be really good. But Keanu's opening lines are dreadful, and from then it went steadily downhill. Louisa: I liked it. It was

spectacular, the special effects were in your face. Fair enough, Keanu is wooden when he has to talk, but when he's running around he's great to look at. Alan: The guy's so wooden he

could be sold as a cabinet. And the effects were rubbish; all the old Blade Runner stuff. • In association with Moviewatch,

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future of the planet and he becomes very serious

Cheers was paying him. He says it was "enough to cause concern, a little scary" to have so much money. Today, he stages fundraising events, appealing to the same corporations that "we used to beat up

Although Lock Ness has an environmental message, Danson's imagination was inspired by "the power of myth" within its script, the romance of believing in the monster's but somehow Danson can get existence.

thing hopeful in life," he said. have no fear of being conned,

lines from a Hollywood script, away with saying them.



We must all have some-"We must all have something bigger than ourselves to believe in: the possibility that there is something magical beyond the everyday. I believe in anything and everything. I even if proved wrong, as long as I have enjoyed the ride". They may read like cute







CHOICE I

Jonathan Harvey's new orchestral piece, Hidden Voice, is premiered

TODAY'S CHOICE

A daily guide to arts and enterplanment compiled by Kris Anderson

STREENCHALL WEND PERSY - THE

much-reted rising star who already has the Futuren Nimona Cremetra to showense his tolente — conducts the

City of Birmingham Orchestra tonight. Tchakovsky's Sute No 1 and Rachmarano's Symphony No 2. Symphony Hall, Broad Street (0121-212 3333) Tonight, 7 30pm; pt Sat, 7pm (5)

MANCHESTER Maureen Lipman deranges the epitaphs in Braham Murray's production of the Rivals. Tony Britton plays Sr Anthony Absolute Ford Europea, St Anthony Absolute (181-833 9833) Opens tonight, 7 30pm Than Mon-Thurs, 7 30pm, Fri, 8pm, Sat, 4pm and 8pm Until Mar 23

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VENUE: Tonight at St John's, Smith Square



■ CHOICE 2

Maureen Lipman stars as The Rivals opens in Manchester

VENUE: Tonight at the Royal Exchange





Lee Evans

Lyric

non-alcoholic lager-louts going out to

break up fights and clean vomit from

Chinese takeaways. Ditto the plea for

bronze swimming certificates for the

plucky sperm who don't quite make it to the egg, and the suggestion that you

can avoid dropping your bread butter-

side-up either by dropping it before you

put on the butter or buttering the floor

But again and again a nice, surreal

idea tapers away before he has extracted the most from it. Such

generosity is, I suppose, better than endlessly squeezing a joke that tapers

in the first place. Unfortunately, Evans

does that, too. The episode in which he spins plates on poles with the help of a

drag queen in a bathing suit is not

pretend-incoherent, like some of his

stuff, but authentically incomprehensi-

Nevertheless. As he might say,

maybe with a goofy gurgle of shrill, self-mocking laughter, I don't want to,

you know, sort of well, effing badmouth him. Apart from anything

else, he is a good mimic and an excellent mime. With a bend of the

head, a twist of the body, a clatter of

oddly angled legs, he can become a butterfly, an OAP on skis, a man trying

to look cool while walking on a pebbly

beach, a wobbly diner in search of a

wobbly table to eat at. Some members of the first-night audience clearly found

him hilarious. One day, I suspect that I

BENEDICT NIGHTINGALE

ble and bad.

■ THEATRE I

Lee Evans brings his 'Essex nerd' one-man show to the West End, but it's an acquired taste



■ THEATRE 2

Ayckbourn on auto-pilot Confusions ... pulls together five. playlets of moderate substance

LONDON

CEZANNE: London's art event of the year opens today Cazarne's gentus is put forward in all its splendour, including 90 of his paintings and some 70 watercolours and drawings. If there can be a highlight in all this, it may be can be a negregor in all the, it may be the bringing together of the two final versions of Los Grandes Balgreuses from the National Gallery London, and the Philadelphia Musaum of Art.

Tate Gallery, Malbark, SW1 (§) (0171-887 8000) Dely, 10am-5 50pm; entry to Cezarine by ticket only.

SINFONIA 21 Marryn Briddonia and orchestra launch their spring senes nunght with world premieres for Jonathan Harvey's Hidden Voice and Brition's Sketch No C, EBB (premiere o public performance). Also leatured are Shostal puch's Piano Concerto No 2 and Ravel's Mother Goose. Piers Lanc I St John's, Smith Square, SW1 (0171-322 1061). Tonght, 7 30pm

SWEET PANIC: Opening night for Srephen Polisikolf's theatre directing debut his own play about the shains of life in today's London Sasida Reeves pays a trubbed moves stateng a chicle psychologist (Harlet Water). Early booking is recommended Hampatered, Swes Cottage Centre, NW3 (0171-722 9301). Tonght, 7pm. Then Mon-Sat, 8pm, mail Sat, 4pm.

☐ 1883. First night of previews for Emma Fielding, Jason Isaacs and Adan Kotz, playing the lead roles in Craig Rame's version of Raone's Andromache, updated to an imagened kay ruled by Mussolim's som Patrols Marber (author of Dealer's Cholos)

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Classics, Duties of York's, St Mentin's Lane, WC2 (0171-836 5122), Mon-Sat, 7 30pm; mats Thurs and Set, 3pm, (2)

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STEVENAGE. Snap Theatre Company goes on four with E M Focater's Howards End. For those who missed the Merchant Ivory movie extravaganza restetly study of class divisions in the Edwardson tight. Gordon Crafg, Lytton Way (0438-766 886) Tonight-Sat, 7.45pm; mat today.

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among the stars shiring in the night. National (Olivier), South Bank, SEt (0171-928 2252) Tonight-Tue, 7 15pn mats Set and Tue, 2pm. In mp (4) THE LONG AND THE SHORT AND THE TALL: Mark Anten and Burt Koncess on received of William Fred 's necessis of render or when transpectation objects tool jurgle-war drams; produced by Counterpoint Theatre Co.
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Nice lad, but too eager to please

ee Evans begins his one-man show by strutting down the brightly lit stairs - traditional on such occasions — only to find that the landing at the bottom of the first flight is cardboard. Climbing up and out, he gets trapped, first behind a falling scrim, then behind the theatre curtain. No sooner has he fought his way out than the front-of-stage mikes keep falling and rising just as he is rising and falling, until he ends up on the floor, his head beneath one and his

legs around the other. The message, as he puts it at the close, is that he is "a fool, a flop, a failure", and the implicit promise is that he will mess up his Shaftesbury Avenue debut. In neither respect does he wholly disappoint us. Evans has his funny moments all right, but I found that only sporadically did he unlock my sense of humour and open up the bit that emits laughter. Actually, nothing afterwards amused me as

much as an opening sequence that must have lasted all of four minutes. What is he like? Imagine that the young Norman Wisdom, whom he uncannily resembles, has fallen in with a rough crowd in Dagenham or Basildon, A natural nerd, he ingratiates himself with his new friends by mugging, using the f-word a lot and telling jokes that jink and scramble along in an awful rush, as if he is afraid someone will get bored and hit him. Also, he seldom ventures far from Essex man's world: service stations. supermarkets, burger joints, pubs, dole centres with chairs screwed to the floor, so you can't throw them at the

sadistically grinning officials.

Some of his gags are undeniably promising. I liked the one about the

THE best of these five playlets, written by Alan Ayckbourn in 1974, is the one in which a long-suffering waiter (nicely played by Christopher Timothy) serves dinner to two this, but some typical restaudiscontentedly married couples and catches their rancorous conversation only when in their vicinity. When he moves out of earshot, the actors mouth their lines silently. On his return he, and we, pick up the next fragments of the worsening rows, during which we realise that the

the young wife at table B.

BEN HUR? Well, Ben Her actually. In Rob Ballard's spoof of the big-screen epic

about the Roman Empire,

Chariton Hestonesque heroics

have not only been cut down to

Ballard's Performance The

atre Company has a history of

staging flagrantly silly low-

budget revisions of the adven-

tures of great figures: anyone

from The Three Musketeers to

Marx (where Groucho arrived

size, they have changed sex.

rant behaviour is neatly caught in Gareth Tudor left on the rug. husband at table A has just returned from a holiday with

Confusions Richmond

No offence taken

of the group is set in a northern hotel, where a sales in one sentence and less them. slip out the next is next, but the piece lacks surprise.

where the marquee of a washed-out garden fête is carried aloft and eleaves a municipal park in its place. Modestly ingenious just about describes the whole show:

Winslow's sets are modestly

ingenious, particularly the one

Wobbly comedian Lee Evans: a sweaty tangle of arms and legs and

In the opening play, for hopping and skipping. This is instance, the sales rep aban. Ayckbourn on autopilot. doned wife Goanna Myers. The scene-changes of Colin good in a wide range of roles)

she treats her neighbours asfive year-olds too. At the fete, to be opened by the civil but unbending councillor (Rula Lenska), the sound system starts working just as the gawky schoolieacher tells the pub-owner he has made her pregnant. Her confession is publicly announced across four acres of fields. And yet her scoutmaster flance (Graham Seed) is a cliche character. and so is the vicar.

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unseen children in order that

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rep (Timothy again) vainly tries to persuade a girl to come inoffensive, an artiul theatrito his room. I suppose the way cal device per play (except in the man denies his intentions the hotel) but nothing special.

Price's production and Vincent Brimble shows that a menu can be funny when read with the vocal equivalent of a pair of tongs being used to remove something the cat has The plays were written for a

cast of three men and two women and links connect some of the plays, though this

to run the Communist

This time round Ben Hur.

the Judaean who will not

buckle under Roman rule, is

5ft 2in and patently female.

Charlotte Palmer's Hur is still

apparently butch. She floors

Messala, an erstwhile buddy.

vinistic governor, with a bit of

judo. Still, the false beard is

but now the province's chau-

Revolution).

fooling no one.

Decline and fall in the Roman Empire Ben Hur Warehouse, Croydon

> while being prettily petite, has small talent as an actress. Her-Hur's show of machismo comes down to a vague swagger and a lot of nodding. When, no longer incognito, she falls for Caesar, her portraval of a sexy lover is no less. feeble. Finally, bereaved and

bitter, challenging the evil Messala to the mighty chariot race, Palmer narrows her eyes. to show us she is determined.

Now, a big part of the joke in a Performance Theatre-Company show is its awfulness. The gags rise to Rome is where the art is" and the like. Centurions' helmets are colanders crested with kitchen sponges. Playing a thousand parts, costume-swapping and adlibbing, the four-strong cast

(including the eternally chirpy

Ballard) is a shambles. The chaos is occasionally entertaining. The chariot race, with pantomime horses under strobe lighting, is splendidly silly. However, this script is scrappy and the performers lack comic timing. Were this a Christmas show, it might seem jolly. After January, it looked merely juvenile.

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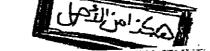
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■ MUSIC 2

Jessye Norman turns Janáček's Makropulos Case into a star vehicle at the New York Met



SATURDAY

A debut at the age of 92: the extraordinary story of the conductor Ilya Musin

Richard Cork begins a short series to mark the major Cézanne retrospective at the Tate Gallery

Perspectives on a pioneer

doubt if 1996 will pro-duce a grander exhibition than the overwhelming Gezanne retrospective which opens to-day at the Tate, and which I reviewed in The Times when it was in Paris last October. For the first time in decades, the totality of his work is assembled in a loan show which, if anything, enlarges an already legendary reput-ation still further.

Cezanne was disgracefully under-appreciated during his own lifetime. Well into middle age, he was regarded as a failure even by sympathetic writers. By the end of the 19th century, when he had only six years to live, an increasing number of critics and young artists had begun to recognise his greatness. But only after his death did Cézanne come to be regarded as the man who, more than any other painter from the impressionist era. mapped out the territory for modern art to explore. To celebrate the Tate exhibi-

tien. The Times is publishing a daily series devoted to exceptional paintings from the show. They are particular favourites of mine, and reveal different aspects of his achievement. But these five paintings cannot tell the whole story about a complex painter whose work under-went a startling change. As a young man, Cézanne

became notonious for the violence of his art. He painted rape and murder, heaping pigment onto canvases where the turbulent brushmarks reinforced the strength of his volcanic feelings. They are often disturbing images, alarmingly uneven in quality. In the finest, though, Cezanne's passionate sense of attack is immensely powerful. feeling fuels his later work, even after he learnt now to vation of nature, how to impose classical order on everything he painted.

Talking to the Russian

pianist Nikolal Demi-



tarilingly modern: Cézanne's Young Girl at the Piano - Overture to Tannhauser, c. 1869, from the Hermitage Museum in St Petersburg

30, he at last discovered how to develop a more measured and contemplative approach. The pianist addresses herself to the keyboard with grave concentration. The ness of her dress, paintwith extraordinary free and contrasted dramaically with the piano's emphasises the de-

votion she gives to the music.

Her companion seems

momentous

period when
Cezanne rejected the wild and
often morbid fantasies of his
youthful work. At the age of

equally intent, bowing over that the vigorously brushed some darning as she listens. Cezanne ioreshadows his later direction by stripping the figures and their surroundings down to their essential forms. At the same time, he flattens the composition, so

stripes in the carpet seem to run up the surface of the

Everything emphasises the grandeur inherent in a domestic scene, even if the the cluttered claustrophobia quickly became admired as

plano to shoot back into space but pushing the figure on the settee forwards. This pictorial unrest reaches its climax in the freely handled patterning on the chintz-covered armchair and above all in the surprisingly enlarged design of the wallpaper.

Here, in dancing arasques which surely inspired tribute to the inspiration of Wagner's music. The Tannhauser inverture was first played in Paris in 1860 and

the acme of musical boldness. Baudelaire described it as "voluptuous and orginstic" and a friend of Cezanne predicted that Young Girl at the Piano "belongs to the future just as much as Wagner's music". He was right: the modernity of this painting still has the capacity to

♠ Cézanne is at the Tate Gallery until April 28, sponsored by Ernst 8 Young, For advance booking, which is advised, telephone 0171-

Sunday, he will once again

avoid the obvious by including

Chopin's least known piano sonata. No i in C minor: "It's

not any worse, it's just differ-

ent." And he will also be

Jinxed show finally lifts off with Jessye

famous cartoon in The New Yorker, published OPERA .30 years ago when the house in Lincoln Center opened, showed a ghoulish, misshapen figure skulking out of the old Met, hailing a taxi, Metropolitan Opera, and slipping into the back New York door of the new house to take up residence. If there is an evil phantom of the opera at the Met, he was certainly at work in recent weeks, as the com-

Makropulos Case.
The first attempt was aborted ten minutes into the perfor-mance by the tragic death on stage of the tenor Richard Versalle, who was singing the small part of the law clerk Vitek. Versalle suffered a heart attack and fell from a 20ft ladder on to the stage mo-ments after singing the line. Too bad you can only live so

pany attempted to give a house

premiere to Leos Janacek's

long."
The second scheduled performance was scratched by the worst blizzard in New York in 50 years. The third try proved to be the proverbial charm. Once past the first scene (which was restaged for Versalle's replacement, Ronald Naldi, without ladderclimbing), there was an almost audible sigh of relief, and the performance got to the end of

the piece without mishap.

The haunted mood of the evening was not inappropriate to Janáček's strange, absurdist opera, which has been given the most interesting produc-tion at the Met thus far this season. As conceived by producer Elijah Moshinsky, this Makropulos is a star vehicle for Jessye Norman as the ageless (almost) opera singer Emilia Marty.

Norman, it seems, has staked out a claim to the diva

roles at the Met; three years ago she appeared in a new production of Ariadne auf Naxos (also produced by Moshinsky) as the Prima Donna. Much slimmed down, she exuded star quality without lapsing into the campy pose-striking that has marred some of her previous appear ances here. She sang with liquid, silvery warmth, soaring almost effortlessly through the high tessitura in her final

The sets, by debutant Anthony Ward (whose credits include The Way of the World, currently at the National TheThe Makropulos Case

atre, and Oliver! at the Palladium), kept the eye focused on Norman, When the curtain rose, it revealed a billboardsize image of her face (which, in a thrilling coup de théatre, went up in flames in the finale). In the second act. massive sphinx — was Émilia Marty perhaps singing Aida?

— where she received her

suitors one by one. She was generally well sup ported by the cast, particularly ny Graham Clark as Albert Gregor, who sang with brilliant plangency; Donald Mc-Intyre brought an effective, Wotan-like gravity to the role of Kolenaty. Hakan Hagegard was a bit nondescript as Prus, sounding weak and sketchy in the lower register.

The Met orchestra was con ducted by David Robertson. who has led this work at the Weish National Opera. It was generally a coherent performance, but the strings at moments were uncharacteristically out of tune and a bit untogether: this orchestra, it seems, is never entirely happy except when James Levine is

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Jessye Norman: star turn as Emīlia Marty in Janáček's opera

Playing by his own rules

denko is an exhilaratirig but disconcerting experience.

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Barry Millington talks to the

important directions. That's why no two pupils of his play highly acclaimed Russian pianist

Nikolai Demidenko

about another Bashkirov pro-Volodos recital disc for release tégé, the 24-year-old Arkady later in the year.

Volodos. "He is phenomenal. It is comparable with Rubin-Talking of Kissin, I had stein's 1964 performance in Moscow, with Horowitz's visit heard that Demidenko had helped to bring the 13-year-old prodigy to public attention in 1984, and I invited him to take to Moscow, with the debut of the young Kissin, with Karl Bohm's conducting Tristan his share of the credit. But no. und Isolde. When that guy has refusing to play ball again, he his debut in London, rush tells me that he was just "one there." In fact, we do not have of the people" who were able to bring about Kissin's legendto wait that long, because Sony ary debut (though it was has: recently recorded a Demidenko who persuaded the conductor Dimitri Kita-

enko to hear him). "At the first rehearsal for that performance, the orchestra started playing the Chopin E minor Concerto. Little boy. just turned 13, sitting there waiting, and they played the first tutti in an absolutely ordinary manner. Everything changed at the start of the piano part. From the first note, I've never before seen all the wind players watching what

the pianist is doing."

Nowhere has Demidenko sought to avoid the obvious

THERE is a certain ironic

contemporary art on the radio.

And perhaps a certain sense of

relief: this way, at least one does not have to look at it. But

there are more positive rea-

sons-for welcoming Private

View, a new Saturday lunch-

Nicholas Ward-Jackson, an

art dealer and curator,

presents Private View and for

the most part he is set on

responding to the standard

media attitude to such art as a

model asleep in a tank and,

yes, that severed cow of recent

The central figure in part

one of the series was Douglas

Gordon, a Glaswegian and

rising star of contemporary-

described as "out to unsettle

who is ominously

time series on Radio 3.



Demidenko: none of the usual platitudes

repertoire. In 1993 he gave a series of six recitals at the Wigmore Hall which explored an astonishing range of pianomusic, from the instrument's early period (C. P. E. Bach. Vorisek, Mozart), through the riches of the 19th century (Liszt, Kalkbrenner) to the

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his audience". He was certain-

ly out to unsettle Ward-Jack-son, who had to pursue Gordon by telephone halfway

They finally met in Amster-

dam, where Gordon was at-

tending a football match.

Gordon has a passion for the

game and its curious sub-

culture, and one of his works

consisted of projecting the Millwall slogan "We are evil"

on to the dome of the Serpen-

Gordon is multimedia, as

they say. He regards the

telephone, for example, as an

artistic medium. He is fond,

apparently, of having mes-

sages delivered to diners in

restaurants. One of these

tine Gallery in London.

round Europe.

Gubaidulina). What was the thinking behind such an intrepid traversal of the repertoire? "I considered it a challenge. I just wanted to prove that I could do it." But he is far from wedded to

the idea of such live recordings. "To me, at least, live performance is one world, and recording is a completely different art. I'm much closer to the position of Glenn Gould, who claimed that musical recording doesn't have to be a anarchot of a moment: it has to have its own system behind it, rather like plastic surgery. It's not the music which happens in the concert hall; it's the music as I would like it to appear. Some phrases come from a different perspective, from a different pair of microphones. You can't move around in the hall during the recital. But you can move on the record and sometimes the results are very beautiful, so

The thought of major onecomposer cycles does not ex-cite him, though he has a double CD of Schubert's piano music on the way, from Hyperion, which is also recording Prokofiev piano concertos with him...

What does this mean? Is it

art? Ward-Jackson comes

from a traditional art back-

ground and, if he is scentical

about the contemporary scene.

he hides it well beneath an

enthusiasm to discover just

There are people - and you

may count me in - who think

that piles of bricks at the Tate

could do with a set of wheels:

that way they would more

plainly state that we are being

On the other hand it is quite

an enjoyable ride. Artists like

Gordon make us think and,

merely by doing that, they

qualify as assets in a bland

PETER BARNARD

what is going on.

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modern world.

presenting Schumann's Etudes Symphoniques in the less familiar first version, before it was heavily edited by the composer's wife, Clara, and Brahms. "There is a huge chunk of music, a whole page, in the first version, which didn't make it into the edited version of 1852. He also showed where he wanted one of the extra variations." In the middle of another variation. the metronome markings were changed too. "It turns out that what Schumann demands is to play almost the whole set in the same tempo. It's an impossible thing to do. but it's an interesting idea." Nikolzi Demidenko plavs at the Barbican (0171-638 8891) on Sun-



Richard Leakey and the Sixth Extinction THE FIVE mass extinctions of species on the planet were new book (with Roger all natural disasters. Speak-Lewin). The Sixth Extinc-

THE TIMES DILLONS LECTURE

ing at a Times/Dillons lecture on Monday. February 12, chaired by Richard Dawkins, Richard Leakey, the Kenyan politician and renowned palaeoanthropologist and conservationist, will warn us that we are heading for a sixth.

OUR capacity to exploit the world's resources beyond the point of natural renewal is leading us to the verge of a man-made catastrophe, he says. Homo sapiens could destroy entire species and trigger the sixth extinction. The lecture marks the

tion: Biodiversity and Its Survivai (Weidenfeld & Nicolson, £18.99), and will be held at the Institute of Education, 20 Bedford Way. London WCI, starting at 7.30pm. Tickets at £10 (£7.50 con-

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Demidenko has no time for details. He worked in more the usual platitudes: Expressing himself in clearly articulated English, he overturns. expectations at every step.
The Russian system of musical education — now in the same." Demidenko waxes lyrical disarray - has a reputation as something of a forcing school. Did he find himself pressurised at the Gnessin Music School in Moscow? "No, an awful lot of things to learn, but I wouldn't say it was terribly pressurised." At the Moscow Conservatoire he was fortunate to study with Dimitri Bashkirov. "I'm still convinced he's the best teacher in the world. He never told us how to "YOU ARE LEFT WITH A SENSE OF BEING MOVED BY SOMETHING ORIGINAL AND CHALLENGING, PORTRAYED BY A HUGELY TALENTED CAST" "HIGH-VOLTAGE PERFORMANCES" JUDGE FOR YOURSELF ALL SEATS £10.00 ON DAY OF PERFORMANCE CALL THE BOX OFFICE FOR DETAILS OF MONEY-BACK GUARANTEE

Nicholas Mosley is a novelist who seeks order in entropy and has the courage to grapple with the unknown, says Rachel Cusk

ovels are so often about what the novelist knows that it comes as rather a surprise to read one that is about precisely the reverse. Where the writer can frequently be found standing at his own fishpond, paying out his line with greater or lesser elegance to reel this knowledge in, Nicholas Mosley wades out to sea with nothing but his bare hands in the hope of catching something new. Whether he succeeds or not is another question; but the profoundly experimental nature of his writing marks him out as one of our most adventurous

and provocative voices.

Children of Darkness and Light is a curious but timely novel, as remarkable as it is often opaque, which attempts to address the subject of human entropy while seeking some occluded, necessary order within it. More specifically, it is about the problem of investigation and the difficulties too of inhabiting the tense, shifting border between what is known and what is not.

Harry is a journalist increasing-

A holy apparition as a sign of the times

CHILDREN OF DARKNESS AND LIGHT By Nicholas Moslcy Secker & Warburg, £15.99

where in the act of observation reality is manufactured, whose desire to be the factorum rather than the author of truth has stripped him of agency. His frag-mented, disordered consciousness jeopardised still further by drink, and by an itinerant lifestyle which strains his already fragile

What appears at first to be incoherence, as we are borne along on the muddled stream of Harry's thoughts, is in fact a welter of unprocessed intelligence; the narrative of a mind reluctant to stamp experience with personal interpretation. As Harry's sense of himself ly drawn to this border, the place dissolves, so his observations pro-

liferate: identity is here an obstruction, an interference without which things might happen as they were meant to and reality thus be

As he goes about his investigations, Harry's passivity becomes almost comic: "I had become imbued with the idea that unnecessary questions might divert the course of understanding or even of what would happen." What he is investigating is the story of a group of children in Cumbria who claim to have received a visitation from the Virgin Mary, and have subsequently decamped to the hills above their seaside village and set themselves up on their own.

Some of the children are from Bosnia, where a few years previously Harry covered a similar story; a story in which he interpreted the repetitiveness of the Virgin Mary's visits as an attempt to bore the human race into taking the initiative itself. "I said that the



Virgin Mary must know that her instructions weren't working because they had been tried so often and had been ineffective; what she must really want was for us, her children, to recognise this and grow up and start working things out on our own."

Once in Cumbria, Harry discovers that the apparition is not merely a metaphor, but an entire fiction written, in some sense, for him. His suspicion on arrival that he has been expected, that everybody knows who he is and what he represents, that a play is waiting to be enacted for which he is the necessary audience; all this sug-gests that by singling himself out as invisible, he has become visible, known; that rather than observing the story, he has caused it.

Rumours abound of radiation leaks from a local nuclear plant, of abuses of the children by Social Services: but the more Harry tries to confirm or dispel these ru-mours, the more facts refuse to perform. "Would it be possible," he wonders, "to devise an experiment at which one could be lookingwithout exactly looking?"

Mosley cleverly withholds day-light until the darkness has become unbearable; for it is only when events have reached a pitch of mystification that one becomes conscious of interference from an enigma was in fact more of a trick. Harry, it is all at once clear, require disclosure. As he begins to reveal more of what happened to him in Bosnia, a spiritual and philosophical crisis of vast proportions unfolds. "I had wanted not so much to report on the horrors of war — many others were doing that — as to look for what might be at the back of this apparently so arbitrary fighting: at the way in which so many people seemed to feel just what fun war was."

In discovering that people have no real desire to make things. better, no appetite for good, Harry finds a positive motivation to-

wards evil, decay, disorder, pollu-tion — "people feeling at home if they land themselves in the shit" He comes to believe the only notion of order is to let things happen, to let them get worse. In the grip of this abdication of responsibility, he rescues a Bosnian child from an orphanage. setting up intolerable conflicts in himself; conflicts which lead him somewhere else. What looked like to the belief that if children are tormented enough by adults, they will eventually overthrow them. is not functioning properly, and is ... And might they not have a chance labouring beneath things which of doing this especially in times of Might they not become. that is, like those bacteria that learn to survive under stress that produce mutations necessary for survival in terms of stress?"

> Two extraordinary images of good and evil conclude a novel which, if it resolves few of them, raises many potent and pressing questions about our moral landscape; and which, for its evocation of modern consciousness alone - traumatised and immolated by information - is a

Yet built with stones of law

ne can learn a great deal about a society by visiting its prisons. They show a great deal about values, beliefs and social attitudes. Through a series of learned but never dry essays The Oxford History of the Prison tells how this extraordinary institution developed from the early forced labour fortresses of ancient Egypt, like the one in Luxor, where Potiphar confined Joseph (of the coat of many colours), to the violent human warehouses of today's big American cities.

It crosses continents to show the varied traditions, and what the State can do to its citizens under the aegis of a justice system is graphically described. Eight full-colour pages of prisoners' paintings show how creativity can blossom within the razor-wire and grey brick walls.

Prisons in North America and Europe, prisons for reformatories juvenile delinquents, penal colonies in Australia, are all discussed. Punitive regimes. rehabilitative regimes, forced labour are described. What comes across is the dreary sameness of the prison experience. Whether it is Illinois or London, 1850 or 1950, the illustrations are the same: human beings lying close together in rows, usually filling every space at every level, the top row so near the ceiling they can barely raise their heads. Material on the United

Vivien Stern

THE OXFORD HISTORY OF THE PRISON Edited by Norval Morris and David J. Rothman OUP, £25 THE INVISIBLE **CRYING TREE** By Tom Shannon and Christopher Morgan

Doubleday, £9.99

understandably. The modern prison is said to have been invented there in the 1820s, with competition between the systems in New York and Pennsylvania. In New York the prisoners slept in single cells, but worked and ate together although they were forbidden to communicate by word or glance. In Pennsylvania prisoners were in solitary confinement the whole time. The New York system won the

day, because it was cheaper. Now, nearly two centuries later, the United States is one of the world's greatest consumers of imprisonment, doubling its use between 1970 and 1980 and more than doubling it again between 1981 and 1995. One and a half million Americans are currently in prison. The chances of a young black man in America going to prison are greater than his chances of going on to higher

Britain, too, now seems set on a course of ever-increasing



A gymnastics display at a Borstal, c. 1920: in attempting to foster a sense of personal responsibility, Borstals took public schools as their model (from The Oxford History of the Prison)

contributors point out, as a method of crime control, prison does not work. So why do we keep on believing in it and demanding it be provided? The answer, according to one of the distinguished editors. Norval Morris, seems to be that imprisonment has become the "plaything of politics". So politicians build more prisons, using money that would otherwise go on schools and hospitals. This is "a sin

against the future". The breadth of history and wide-ranging theory set out in

imprisonment. Yet, as all the the Oxford volume are richly of complemented by another very worthwhile and moving book, The Invisible Crying Tree. Through the Prison Re-Trust a farmer, Chrisopher Morgan, became the penfriend of Tom Shannon, a life-sentence prisoner, and the book consists of their

year-long exchange of letters.
The farmer writes of his family, combine harvesters, the common agricultural policy, the weather. The prisoner writes of brewing illicit alcohol, wrapping excrement in newspaper and throwing it out

nunger strikes. being in the segregation unit listening to Mozart. It is a blast of reality for those who think prisons run according to rules and regulations. It should be required reading for people who still think prison is a holiday camp.

Both these books throw light on a major social question. To understand the prison of today we need to know its history. imposing imprisonment as the main punishment for crime did not start until the early 19th century. Before that,

the window, drugs, compensation or physical punishments such as execution o mutilation were the norm and they were then replaced by transportation to the New

Punishments, then; are not static. There is change and development. Do we really intend to carry on beyond the millennium with a system that costs so much, causes so much pain, and does so little good?

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Lust turned all to ashes

ichael Ryan is an American poet who awards for his work and who used to teach at Princeton, until his sexual pursuit of students led to his being sacked. He describes himself as a "sex addict". It could be argued that, since sex is as compulsive a need as food or excretion for most people, the

lifferent. His sex life began when he different. was five years old, when a neighbour's son began taking photographs of him and proceeded to sexual touching and then fellatio. The relationship persisted for about a year. This is a depressingly familiar story; but Ryan conveys an aspect of it which victims often omit. Although his sexual initiation was distasteful, and the secrecy demanded of him was alarming. Ryan felt that, because he was emotionally important to his seducer, he both valued the man and had power over him. This minis-

majority of mankind are sex addicts. But Ryan's case is

tered to his self-esteem. It is hardly surprising that the little boy responded to a man who was kind and in a distorted sense loving, since Ryan's father was an alcoholic who beat his children with a belt and maltreated them physically in other ways. His advice on sex to his adolescent son consisted of a single sentence. When you're with a woman, use a rubber."

At the age of 50, Ryan seems to have total recall of his childhood and adolescence. For hours a day when I was bowling, time would evaporate. I'd think about my ap-proach, my backswing, the angle of my thumb when I not I was getting enough

Anthony Storr

SECRET LIFE An Autobiography By Michael Ryan Bloomsbury, £8.99 paperback original



Ryan: unusually honest

with girls, med, and the family dog are scarcely more

What is amazing, and largely unexplained, le how so philistine a boy is transformed into a poet who taught at Princeton. It seems probable that an eccentric professor at Notre Dame with a gift for talent spotting was responsi-ble. However that may be, Ryan was fired in 1981.

hat this unusually honest book does, and does very well, is to demonstrate one possible outcome of early sexual molestation. If sex is the only thing in life which makes a boy and a man feel valued, he is likely to become a compulsive Don Juan. The accompanying publicity sheet informs us that "Inreleased the ball, whether or 1990 he realised that his sex addiction was out of control finger lift." But Ryan is no and joined a programme Salinger, and British readers along with other addicts to will find his detailed accounts cure his insanable need for of his successes and failures at . sex." It would be interesting to baseball and at bowling te- know the outcome of his dious. His sexual encounters, breatment.

Hope blooms in the desert

Samantha Weinberg

IMAGININGS OF SAND By André Brink Secker & Warburg, £15.99

The elections in South Africa two years ago were a momentous event, a bend in a long straight road. A country went back to the drawing board, started to rewrite its history and redefine its culture in the face of a new future. André Brink, perhaps inevitably, has placed his magnificent book, *Imaginings* of Sand, in the few uncertain weeks surrounding the elections. But like many of his previous works, this book reaches so much further, gathering in fragments of the past. in order to re-examine and reassemble them in the light of

what will come to be. Kristien, a detribalised Afrikaner, is called back from London to her dying grandmother's bedside. Her grand-mother, Ouma Kristina, has been the victim of arsonists, who tried to burn down the turreted ostrich palace in the semi-desert where she lives.

Ouma refuses to die before telling Kristien stories about her ancestors, a line of extraordinary women; Kamma, who was picked from her Khiokhoi tribe by a large Airikaner and became a tree in 1870; her daughter Lottie, who vanished



André Brink: a many-layered portrait of a changing land

in search of her shadow; her daughter Samuel, and so on down the tree to Ouma and

The magical stories Ouma tells, hovering on that uncertain line between believability and fantasy, cover the time from when the Afrikaners first settled in South Africa to the present day. Kristien sits by Ouma's coffin, which the old woman has insisted on climbing into, recording the stories
- "before she retreats into her inner desert again, that place of moving dunes that shift position from one day to the next, ceaselessly rewriting their landscape and redefining their space" - and the rest in the reality of a country she

escaped over a decade before. In this "real-time", she meets the inhabitants of the desert, the players in the South African chess game. Here are the Afrikaners, afraid of losing the land they loved and "paid for in blood and shit", the liberals, the wise old black people, the disaffected youth. the smart new politicians, the bigored old ones, the hawker for whom the election will change nothing: "I'll still have trouble selling vegetables."

Each has his stance, and if I have a criticism of this book, it is that some of these caricatures lack life; they appear to have been created only as a mouthpiece for a sharplydefined set of views.

But this hardly mars a wonderful book. Like the history of South Africa itself, it has many layers, and also many truths. It is about discord and reconciliation: between Kristien and her downtrodden sister Anna. between Kristien and the country she had sworn never to return to, between new and old, black and white, dreams and reality.

It is like a rite of passage; after reading it, one is well-placed to contemplate what might be in the South Africa of tomorrow. As one of its characters, an old ANC warrior, says on being asked why he is here: "Write a new chapter, yes. Close the old books, no. We can't imagine the future by pretending to forget the past.

Samantha Weinberg's novel. Last of the Pirates, is pub-

Origami journey

READING Drivetime, James Meek's second novel, is not unlike finding yourself in a hall of mirrors where illusion and reality appear as one and images multiply into infinity. So in this novel sanity and insanity seem to be more or less indistinguishable and the many-layered plot to forever

fold in on itself. When Alan Allen, a student of English literature at Edinburgh University, is thrown off his course, he decides to begin a new life in Glasgow, where the people are "hard and cool and warm". To reach Glasgow he needs a car and to buy a car he needs money, which is why he accepts the offer of a stranger met at a party, called McStrachan, to collect an antique egg from

"down south". So begins a nightmarish journey, and not just geo-graphically, along the motor-ways of Europe, with the clusive egg and the promised land of Glasgow ever receding.
Alan's driving companions

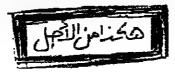
are not well chosen: Deirdre, a psychiatric nurse, loved by Alan: Mike, a baseball-barwielding fellow student, literary purist and possible psychopath, loved by Deirdre; Sim, an elegantly dressed systems analyst who suffers from an incurable disease which accelerates the ageing process. Mike rants, Deirdre teases. Sim shrivels and the hapless Alan, dogged by personal misfortune and civil anarchy, keeps driving. Kate Hubbard

DRIVETIME By James Meek Polygon, E8.99 ppb original

In Northampton he is arrested and accused of perversion and cruelty by an animal rights activist. In Salerno he is left abandoned, penniless and at the mercy of an Italian family, who put him to work making cream horns. In Russia he endures a spell in a mental hospital, where both Mike and McStrachan appear to have been former inmates; after being mistaken for a local Edinburgh councillor he unwittingly unleashes a wave cf. riots across Europe. The look-a-like councillor is just one of several recurring characters who haunt Alan and provide a strange constancy amid the changing landscape.

THIS is a novel where disturbing coincidences, improbable connections and cases of mistaken identity are rife. But although its humour leans towards the laborious, Meek has a gift for the surreal

throwaway image.
It is rather as though David Lynch had been let loose on the set of a drawing room comedy. There will be readers who find this peripatetic fanta-sy too wacky, but they may still admire the dexterity with which Meek juggles his shifting characters and ties up the ends of his narrative.



Angel gospel of hate

t is a sad paradox that even though Jesus preached a gospel of love, Christians have often felt justified in cultivating a righteous hatred of those whom they believe to be in error. Crusaders slaughtered Muslims and Jews; the orthodox have killed heretics, and for centuries Catholics and Protestants have vilified and persecuted one another. Frequently Christians accuse the "other" side of being in league with Satan

In this erudite and illuminating study. Elaine Pagels has traced this tendency back to the New Testament. She argues persuasively that belief in Satan originated in certain Jewish sects, whose members denounced their fellow Jews as the sons of darkness. The Hebrew Bible, however, has no conception of the Devil. Satan is simply a member of the angelic court whose task is to obstruct human activity, sometimes - as in the case of Balaam - in a way that is beneficial to humanity.

But later, during the troubled ears of the 2nd and 1st centuries C. radical Jews told stories about angels who had fallen from grace. basing these tales on obscure and ambiguous scriptural texts. When they asked "How could God's own angel become His enemy?" they were also asking, in effect, how their fellow Jews, who did not share their religious passions, could have turned away from God, Such sects as the Essenes saw themselves as a righteous elite at war with the demonic "powers of darkness" who had infected the rest of the Jewish

Pagels shows that the first Christians shared this vision of a universe divided between God's people and Satan's. Her penetrating critique reveals a stream of pure hatred running through each one of the four Gospels. The demons of the New Testament, which liberal Christians prefer to ignore, are central to the story of Jesus. The four evangelists all revile their Jewish contemporaries, who refused to accept Jesus as the Messiah, as apostates

in Satur's thrall.
In each successive Gospel the Jews become increasingly demonic: "the Jews" who form the armies of while Pornius Pflate, who was renowned for his ruthlessness and forces of light.

Besides teaching the importance a cosmic battle with Satan: a thetic Mark who was writing in of love, therefore, the Gospels laid marty's death frustrated a diabolic



Lucifer and Satan attending the jaws of Hell: from the Livre de la Déablerie, printed in Paris (1568)

Karen Armstrong

THE ORIGIN OF SATAN

A Social History

By Elaine Pagels

Viking, £20

about AD 70, shows Jesus battling with Satan at the outset of His career and insists that the Jews forced the Romans to execute Him. Some 15 years later. Matthew denounces the Pharisees, the Jew ish leaders of his day, as "Sons of Hell destined for the fire reserved for the Devil and his angels".

Luke, the only gentile evangelist, goes further. He suggests that the Jews are allied with "the powers of darkness. He has Satan entering into Judas Iscariot and setting in motion the events that would culminate in the Crucifixion. Finally, writing in about AD 100. John shows Satan becoming incarnate in human form: first in Judas, then in the Jewish authorities, and lastly in ... war.

the foundations of that virulent

anti-Semitism which has led to some of the most shameful chapters in Christian history. But the habit of hatred did not stop there. From the Gospels, later Christians learnt to demonise their other enemies. Their faith became paranoid, em-battled and defensive: Christian soldiers must march onward, as to

conspiracy against humankind. The pagan gods became devils in their minds, Greek and Roman culture was now demonic and teachers such as Origen undermined the religious sanction for the State. Finally, "heretics" who did not share the opinions of the Establishment were denounced as Satan's agents.

Pagels does not deny that many Christians have transcended this sorry legacy. Many, however, have not; they see no incompatibility between the gospel of love and a righteous denigration of people from other ethnic, religious or ideological groups. Only by ac-knowledging this tragic flaw, which Pagels's important book has shown to be deeply embedded in their tradition, can Christians hope to correct it and avoid the hatred

Nigel Hawkes on a vision of man-made catastrophe

Once again, the end is nigh

n the history of ideas, a long struggle has been fought be tween stasis and catastrophe. The Old Testament gave catastrophe a running start, with its emphasis on flood, plague, and pestilence, but in the 18th century along came James Hutton, a Scottish physician who declared that the Earth had always been much as it seemed. Every feature on its rumpled surface could be explained by the infinitely slow processes of geology, operating over unimagin-able stretches of time.

In spite of the efforts of archatastrophist Georges Cuvier, who claimed that life was wiped out regularly by floods, Hutton's uniformitarianism soon became the dominant idea. Darwin believed that fossil evidence of past catastrophes was merely an index of that record's incompleteness. An attempt earlier this century to overthrow uniformitarianism by lmmanuel Velikovsky, author of Worlds of Collision, was easily seen off and the scientific community cheered. But the celebrations vere premature

In the past 20 years it has become clear that catastrophes really have happened and that evolution, far from being a steady rise from single-celled bacteria to Masters of Balliol, has been a rollercoaster. In the Cambrian explosion half a billion years ago, a huge number of new species emerged in just a few million years, a burst of creativity umnatched before or since. And the fossil record, pace Darwin, shows a string of catastrophes of which the most recent was

million years ago. Richard Leakey and Roger Lewin now want us to believe that the five recorded catastrophes are being succeeded by a sixth, for which the human race is responsible. The thesis is propounded in a book that is by turns intimate and academic, passages of first-person narration interspersed with an excellent account of recent work in evolution and ecology; though the two elements do not always gel.

the elimination of the dinosaurs 65

The claim that man's dominion has made life harder for countless other species is not exactly new, but here the evidence is superbly marshalled and undeniably persuasive. The extinction of a range of

THE SIXTH **EXTINCTION** Biodiversity and its Survival By Richard Leakey and Roger Lewin Weidenfeld & Nicolson, E18.99 ANCESTRAL PASSION The Leakey Family and the

Quest for Humankind's Beginnings By Virginia Morell Simon & Schuster, \$30

huge creatures from the American continent 11,000 years ago has in the past been blamed on climate change, but recent evidence implicates the Clovis people, who started killing elephants, mastodons and giant sloths and didn't know when to stop. In New Zealand, the Polynesian settlers saw off a whole menagerie of flightless birds. Similar destruction continues today.

though some creatures have power-

The Leakeys with Melvin Payne (right) of the National Geographic Society in 1972

ful friends to protect them - not least Richard Leakey himself, who raised the plight of the African elephant to worldwide prominence. But everywhere smaller animals, insects and birds are disappearing, or so the ecologists claim. What, if anything, can be done about it is a

s Leakey and Lewin make clear, ecosystems are fragile, unpredictable, species which owe their presence there largely to chance. Given the pressure on space, even the bestintentioned of human societies are going to continue to wreak havoc. As the existing balance of species is

different question.

not God-given but the consequence of accident, does change matter so

To most people, the wilderness has no moral authority. They regard the claim made by the ecologist Les Kaufman that "a piece of the American soul died along with the passenger pigeon, plains buffalo and American chestnut" quoted approvingly here - as a self-inclulgence worthy of Pseuds' Corner. Mankind may have to learn to run the planet like a garden, but most people prefer gardens to wilderness, anyway. The problem is that managing ecosystems is so complex a task that the attempt is doomed to failure Small wonder that the book leaves

one with a sense of impotence. Virginia Morell's account of the Leakey family is a labour of love, for she makes it clear that this is the recent history of palaeontology told from the Leakey viewpoint. The approach has its drawbacks, because the field is riven by dispute and personal animosity, and the American palaeontologists Donald

Johanson and Tim White, for years at loggerheads with the Leakeys, declined

to be interviewed. But she is at pains to be fair and the book bulges with detail. Louis Leakey, the founder of the clan, ultimately triumphed after his first finds had been ridiculed and his academic standing destroyed. To him and his wife Mary. Richard's mother, is owed a large part of the credit for establishing that Africa was the cradle of mankind. But he was impulsive, made enemies easily, and never

quite won the support of more conservative colleagues. When he died, the family dallied over placing a headstone on his grave and when they got round to it, found that one of Louis' many lady friends had already done it without even asking. "The nerve!" says Richard.

The story is a compelling one, and very well told. It sheds light on a field where a powerful person-ality may be as valuable as a good mind: a science that is still in some ways pre-scientific.

The Times/Dillons lecture by Richard Leakey will take place in London on February 12. Details and ticket coupon page 33

Wodsod's coarser pleasures

t is 1791, which in France some are calling the Third Year of Liberty, and the young Englishman shod like a carthorse is a poet. He makes ponderous jokes and drinks his wine only by snifting at it. He speaks atrocious Frenchand his name is unpronounce-able: Wodsod, Wodswort, Wozwoz, something like that.

Annette Vallon sets out to be his tutor in her language, but before very long he has her in his bed. A royalist, she rejects the brick from the broken Bastille which this naive republican brings her as a lovegift. She calls him "Mr Williams", however, and is sufficiently well-pleased by his attentions not to be able to recall if he removes his boots during their performance.

Using the few facts known of Wordsworth's early affair with Annette Vallon, Michael Baldwin manages at first to make quite a plausible romance of them. His Annette, spirited but vulnerable, observes for instance that her lover seems to think her body to be "like one of his country paths, to be strayed over at will and revisited whenever it suited him". This catches Wordsworth with his pants down in a way that might well be true. It is clever of Baldwin, too, to show the poet turning aside from love-making to compose

A NARROW partition separates the comprehensive from

the rag-bag. Ann Douglas's account of Manhattan in the

1920s is certainly pell-mell, and could hardly be other-

wise. The period fulfilled Wallace Stevens's remark about

"this electric town, which I

adore". By the 1920s, he was in

Hartford and missed the metropolis. Reason for this is

clear even from the sporadi-cally lit path that is the 600

pages of Professor Douglas's

Refreshingly. Professor

Douglas ranges across cul-

tures, so many of which were

brought together by radio.

Vulgar relish is integral to true

civilisation, that sense of what

Chandler called "terrible hon-

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esty". Professor Douglas often appears to be a human CD-



A contemporary portrait presumed to be of Annette Vallon

Robert Nye the only lines in his Descriptive Sketches which THE FIRST MRS could possibly be read as di-WORDSWORTH By Michael Baldwin rectly erotic -· Little, Brown, £16.99 lines which the Wordsworth was

most careful to suppress. The novel goes wrong when Raldwin has William and Annette "married before God" by a non-juring priest in a cow-

shed. There is no evidence whatsoever that Wordsworth loved Annetie, let alone married

her. All that we know for certain is that she bore his child a month or so after he had fled away to England, and

that his abandonment of her and their daughter did not do his conscience any good. The matter goes unremarked in The Prelude, but forms the theme of Vaudracour and Julia, about two lovers who have an illegitimate child. · A novel is a licence to

suppose, but The First Mrs Wordsworth strains credulity by supposing too much and shattering the psychological verisimilitude it has itself created. Only a reader unfamiliar with Wordsworth's life and work could readily swallow its central thesis: that the couple went through a form of marriage.

Baldwin seems to have taken literally a single letter in which Annette calls William mon mari" - but as Emile Legouis remarked long ago, when first turning up the whole sad story, this must have been wishful thinking on the part of a young woman who read too many novels.

Frankly, had Wordsworth been a bigamist then the tension might have improved his later verse. But it is possible to forgive Baldwin his flight of fancy for the sake of the wholly believable Wozwoz who stalks through his earlier chapters - he of the bonewhite legs and the clumpetty boots, "a man of preternatural animal sensibilities".

Afflicted by the unnatural city James: Although dead in 1910. Christopher

Hawtree

TERRIBLE HONESTY By Ann Douglas Pictulor, £20

biles than all of Europe and gives an alarming catalogue of alcoholic authors.

She admits that this book took two decades - owing to her own alcoholism, which has made her alert for such self-destructive creation as Scott Fitzgerald's.

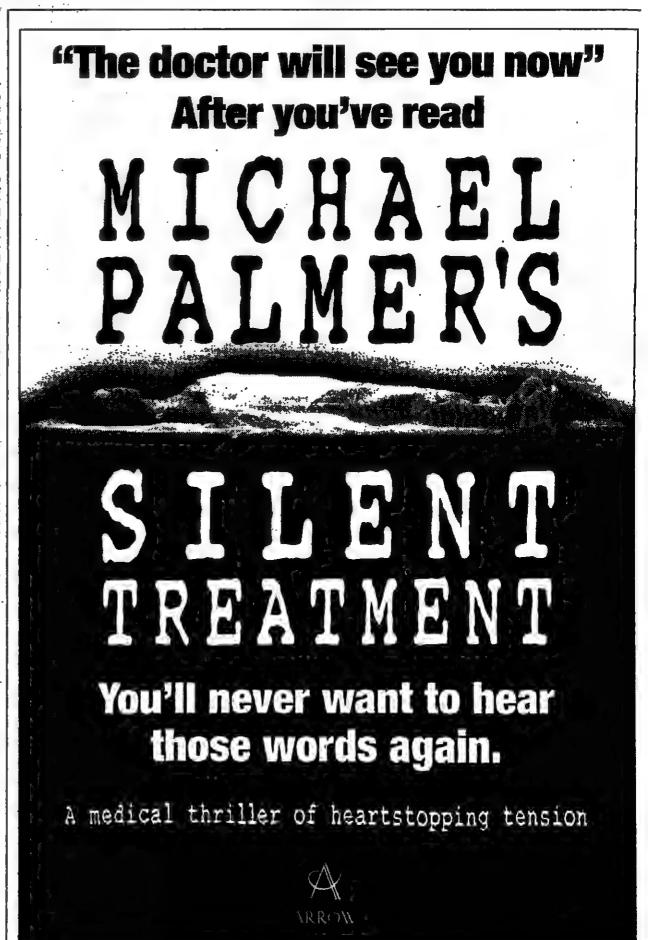
Early on, apparently, Alco-

he remains central to Professor Douglas's view of emer-gent urban America, as is Sigmund Freud, who spent only one week in New York (enough time for him to be offered \$100,000 to write a movie script). All this leads her to think that the period contained the most "penetrating analysis, sophisticated spoofing, and exciting story-telling the American mind has ever stocked at one time".

It was also an era, bracketed by the Great War and the Crash, which was "a kind of paradigmatic set-up for manic summon up a cozen autubis variants on that phrase, just as she readily asserts that New York City had more automo-

helplessly, afflicted" (her next book will be about psychopaths of the 1950s).

HOWEVER that might be, her labour was worthwhile for the bibliography alone. As is the fashion, this is not a list but a closely-primed 90-page essay, chockful of books to seek out (galling how many American books, past and present, are unavailable here). One is grateful to learn of the early novels by Billy Walker's collaborator, Charles Brackett, and the memoirs by the singer Ethel Waters; glad too, that somebody else enjoys the witty novels by Katharine Brush; but puzzled that she overlooks a masterpiece which encapsulates the era - that semi-rhyming, free-verse tale of drunkenness and debauchery, Joseph Moncure March's 1928 The Wild Party (now available in an elegant Picador volume, illustrated by Art



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Tour firms woo the grey set

geting older holidaymakers as research underlines their high spending power and determination to travel. Almost all the big holiday companies now have specialist units determined to cash in on one of the struggling holiday market. According to Sovereign Holidays. 36 per cent of the

over-55s have a gross income of more than £19,500 a year. Many have paid off their mortgages and 38 per cent have an income from private

With so much money to spend — by next year the total amount of discretionary income in the hands of 45 to 70year-olds is expected to be more than ElO billion — it is not surprising that tour opera-tors, who face a fall of up to 30 per cent in bookings from the family market, are switching their attention to the "greys".

Holidays are high on the list of priorities for the over-55s, with more 55 to 65-year-olds taking an annual holiday than any other age group, and spending an average of £574 per person. Older people also take more holidays in a year than the average. By 2000, the over-55s will make up 26 per

cent of the population.

Research shows that although 53 per cent choose a holiday by the sea, they also want to be able to pursue their hobbies, take cultural tours and ensure their creature comforts are well looked after.

Nearly two thirds of our clients come from the upper age groups and are looking for

TOUR OPERATORS are targeting older holidaymakers as slightly more sophisticated and tailored holidays," Steph Pritchard, marketing manag-er for Sovereign Holidays, says. "With years of experience of foreign holidays under their belts, the over-55s are proving to be ever more dis-

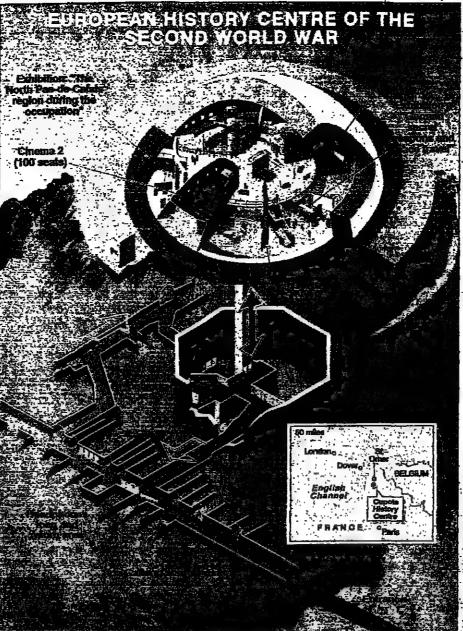
Inspirations has launched a brochure aimed for the first time at the older, retired holidaymaker. Prices in the Warm Winters brochure start at £121 for seven nights selfcatering in Benidorm including return flights.

The importance of older people has long been recognised by the highly profitable and fast-expanding Saga Holidays. It has specialised in taking them all over the world during the quieter months when families with schoolaged children cannot generally get away. Now Saga is launching a

range of holidays to cater for single people aged over 50.
The brochure, Specially for Singles, includes activities such as ten-pin bowling, ice skating, canal cruising, walks, talks, dry slope skiing, surfing lessons, swimming, music evenings or visits to country

Prices range from £204 for a week's half-board at a horticultural college campus near Chelmsford to £538 for two weeks in Rhodes where Greek dancing and scuba diving are

Italiatour, which specialises in Italy, is also offering a discount of £30 per person on holidays taken midweek or during school term time.



SPAIN had another record year last year, Edward Owen writes. There were a total of 63.5 million visitors - 3 per cent more than in 1994 - of which 45 million were tourists, about eight million of them

from Britain. The country is trying to attract a "better class" of tourist by increasing prices and improving offers, particularly for those exploring the

Visitors rain down on Spain

hinterland. Now that its 17 autonomous regions have the responsibility of promoting tourism in their areas, rather than the central government, a deluge of helpful information is available - as Fitur, the Spanish travel trade fair,

Benidorm, already rid of its . lager-lout image, is taking a gamble by restricting book-ings from British tour operators. Bookings by Thomsons are about 15 per cent down and prices are up to pay for

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tion and the town's amenities. The resort is also welcoming more Russians - some 10.000. paid up to £1,000 each last year for a two-week package from Moscow.

For those driving in Spain.

for use in the Western world's.

space programme, and two

cinemas which will show films

compiled from hundreds of hours of footage from Braish, French, American and Ger-

Work is well advanced on

converting the bunker, which

was built in a quarry at Helfaut-Wizernes near St Omer and covered with a 15th

thick concrete dome. Builders

will also soon start work on a

hall in front of the bunker and

man archives.

good," he said. Each region is offering in-formation on rural hotels and Rioja and the Doero valley, offer special routes to take in

traditional houses. And around Seville, in Andalucia, visitors can imagine themselves as sherry barons in sprawling country cortilos

V2 on show at more Nazi bunker. launch the rockets from mopean History Centre of the THE V2 rocket. Hitler's secret bile sites, although the dome weapon which was intended to bring Britain to its knees in the Second World War, which will was only slightly damaged. Initial market research has open early next year.

The £800,000 project has been devised by historians who recognised the huge bun-Second World War, will soon suggested that British tourists be used to woo British tourists to a new exhibition centre in will be eager to visit the site and see what they were spared. M Froment said seven ker's importance, and local the north of Erance. government and tourism One of the rockets, now disarmed, will take pride of out of every ten British travelofficials, who realised its polers interviewed thought that place in the gallery being built in the same bunker which the tential for attracting visitors to they would visit the centre on a an area now by-passed by Eurostar trains and the A26 future trip. An extra exhibition Nazis planned as the base focusing on the special rela-tionship between England and from which to launch a final assault on Britain. Detailed We don't want to see the northern France is also trains and the cars go past, and know that this is an plans for the centre and the olanned. construction work completed excellent opportunity to create an historic and symbolic lour-ist centre. Gny Froment, the centre's managing director, says. The bunker symbolises The centre is expecting a so far were unveiled by the total of 240,000 visitors a year. They will begin their tour in French yesterday.

They include a display of the airy reception building designed to convey art image of brightness and progress, in contrast to the initial gloom of secret German weapons, an exhibition showing how the rockets have been developed the dark past of Europe but

> the Europe of the future."
> The Germans started buildenter through a long tunnel. Headsets will enable them to follow the infra-red, audioing the bunker, designed to guided tour at their own pace. launch 50 V2 rockets a day, in as they pass through scenes recapturing the period of the German occupation of north-em France before they arrive August 1943. The plans included workshops, stores, barrack: rooms, a hospital and dozens of miles of tunnels. The structure was spotted at the foot of the Polygon, the by the British, however, and between March and July 1944 unfinished site of the great

the modern architecture of the

reception will be a symbol for

the bodegas, scenery and his-

Urbina, the director of Rioja's

rocket preparation room.

A lift will take them 100 feet. the Royal Air Force unloaded up into the main exhibition 3,000 tons of bombs in the area and cinemas beneath the area. The Nazis were forced to abandon their plans and great dome.

> we had to create the ideal conditions in a laboratory, they would not have been so

the bunker, which they will

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THE TIMES THURSDAY FEBRUARY 8 1996 Concorde flyers snuff out BA smoking ban York and Barbados, taking only a mind three hours, will remain and have grown up in a culture which is not so against smoking. A smort fare between Heathrow concorde, which All BA flights within Britain went non-smoking in 1988, followed by more than 400 European flights and services to Australia, New Zealand and Canada in 1994. A surror fare between Heathrow concorde, which A if France's Concorde departs of a first transfer of some allowing for a short transfer? A surror fare between teathrow control of the first transfer of the first transfer also us the first transfer also us

bean - journeys which can last up to ten hours. But after pressure from supersonic passengers, two rows of seats on Concorde flights to New

Hotels

to raise

cash for

Unicef.

By DAVID CHURCHILL

INTER-CONTINENTAL Ho-

tels this week announced plans to celebrate its fiftieth

anniversary in the spring by appealing to business travellers who stay in its 170 hotels

worldwide to make a special

donation to Unicef, the United

Nations Children's charity.

Inter-Continental is asking

its guests, 70 per cent of whom

stay on business, to round up

their bill by about \$10 as a

Such a donation would, says

Inter-Continental, provide enough vitamin A tablets for

300 Third-World children to

be protected from blindness. A

\$20 donation would provide

clean water and sanitation for

The hotel chain hopes to

raise at least \$1 million

(£650,000) from the idea, but

would like to generate up to \$5

million during its anniversary

Guests will be asked when

leaving their hotel if they want

to make a donation which will

be included on their bill; if

they prefer, a separate credit

card donation can be made.

Staff have been trained not to

pressurise guests, especially

those who frequently stay in

Robert Collier, joint manag-ing director of Inter-Continen-tal, said yesterday that the campaign was aimed at

an Inter-Continental hotel.

a child for a year.

donation to Unicer's work.

which also celebrates its gold-en jubilee this year.

for themselves," a spokesman said. "We always listen to our customers and Concorde pasengers clearly did not want smoking banned altogether. Perhaps they are older, or more

Travellers

seek exotic

vociferous reaction of Concorde passengers, who made it plain that they were not prepared to be dictated to even though most do not smoke

British travellers. At present, travellers flying from New York to London or Manchester are forced to overnight in Paris because there is no same-day connection (although there

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from the UK). But from March 31, Air France's Concorde departs New York at the earlier time of Sam which. allowing for a short transfer at Paris Charles de Gaulle, will enable travellers to the UK to be there by evening. Air France also undercuts the direct-flight fare. The BA London to New York Concorde flight costs £5,006 return, and discounts are rare. Air France supersonic flights are available for less than £3,000 return.

BARGAINS OF THE WEEK

HOLIDAYS cialist, Sun-Tours, is offerNewcastle on February 18

ing three, four and sevenand 25, Manchester on Febnight holidays in Istanbul at ruary 24 and Gatwick on prices between £129 and £189 February 29. Guesthouse per person until the end of prices start from £355 and March, with flights from hotels from £484 for a fort-Garwick on Fridays and night. Details: 01293 822244. Mondays starting tomorrow. Details: 0171-434 3636. □ CLUB MED is offering

☐ BARGAIN holidays in the Algarve, with flights from Gatwick and Glasgow on February 19, are available from Co-op Travelcare. The price from Gatwick for a fortnight is £219 per person; from Glasgow for a week £149. Details: 0161-827 1030.

☐ ARTSCAPE is offering a trip to The Hague on March 21-23 to visit a special Ver-meer exhibition. Travel to Holland is by ferry and minicoach with 3-star hotel accommodation. Price per person: £189, Details: 01702

DFLY to Goa at bargain prices with Inspirations; flights are from Glasgow on

"one in two fly free" deals to many of its ski resorts, including Chamonix and Les Arcs, for holidays starting on March 3, 10 and 17. Details: 0171-581 1161. ☐ SINGLE travellers can

make great savings on ESCOA cruises in the Far East this year as single supplements for trips aboard the Superstar Gemini have been reduced to £20 instead of the usual 55 per cent levy on a normal fare. Details: 0117-927 2273.

☐ LOW-COST hotels (from £13 a night) and car hire (from £11 a day) are featured in the new British Airways Holidays brochure. Details:

STAPLEFORD

HOTELS Park in Leicesguaranteeing a "lady-free" day for bachelors anxious to avoid proposals on February 29. The "great escape day" costs £200 a person and includes a five-course dinner and sporting activities such

☐ ANY marriage proposals made by diners in the Oak Room restaurant at Le Meridien hotel in Piccadilly on February 29 will qualify for a free bottle of champagne... if the proposal is accepted. Diners can also win a weekend trip to Paris for two staying at another Meridien hotel and travelling by Eurostar. Details: 0171-734 8000.

as clay pigeon shooting. Details: 01572 787522.

GUESTS staying at the Chelsea Hotel in Knightsbridge on February 29 who

birthday will get an additional 15 per cent discount on the rate of £158 a night, which includes champagne and chocolates. Details: 0171-838 9650.

brating their

☐ HILTON National has published its new Past Times Heritage weekends bro-chure featuring short breaks linked to historic events including the centenary of designer William Morris' death and battles of the English civil war. Prices start at £147 per person. Details: 01923 246464.

☐ THE 200-acre High-bullen Country Estate and Hotel in North Devon is offering unlimited free golf for guests on its new 18-hole course which opens at Easter. Prices range from £47.50 to £70 per person per night. Details: 01769 540561.

FERRIES

NEW high-speed links to ireland and France herald early discounts from the Stena line. The Stena HSS is due to operate from March I on the Holyhead to Dun Laoghaire route. The crossing takes 90 minutes and two-day returns 0990 707070. are being offered from £99 for a car and five passengers.

☐ LE SHUTTLE is giving away bottles of Lanson champagne to customers booking a £126 standard return, or a full-fare shortbreak, which start at £70. The Channel Tunnel car service also quotes Monday-Thursday day trips for £39. weekend prices at £49. The promotions run until the end of March, Details: 0990

Details: 01407 606765

☐ THE SeaLynx catamaran has begun service on the

celebrating its

Dover to Calais route and starts from New-

haven to Dieppe on March 20. Day trips for a car and five people start at £30 (£40 on Saturday) and a threeday fare at £49 (£59) for travel by April 30. Details:

☐ P&O EUROPEAN Ferries is quoting B&B short-breaks to Belgium for two nights from £79 per person including ferry from Dover or Portsmouth, valid until the end of February. Day returns on Dover-Calais cost £19 per car (£29 Saturdays), £4 per foot passenger. De-tails: 01992 456045.

☐ NORTHERN Ireland day trips are available through Driveline Europe, using P&O's Cairnryan to Larne crossing from £10 a car and £4 a passenger. Details: 01707 660011.

UNUET is

FLIGHTS

☐ FROM April 1. Jersey European will operate jet flights between Lon-

new association with KLM with special deals to New York (£189) return, book within the next week). Toronto (£283) and Bangkok (£450) for departures before March 31; all flights via Amsterdam. Details: 01444 44001).

RETURN flights to Johannesburg from £435 are offered by Flightbookers. Tickets for departures until the end of March from Heathrow or Gatwick. Details: 0171-757 2444.

☐ BRITISH Airways £99 World Offer excursions to Bordeaux and Toulouse are now available for travel on any day of the week. Details: 0181-897 4000.

Stansted - the first time this route has been served. Details: 0345 676676. ☐ AMERICAN Airlines is offering first and business-

donderry, Birmingham and

class passengers a 40,000mile bonus on transatlantic flights taken before March 31. Details: 0345 567567. ☐ LUFTHANSA's tele-

phone check-in facility for passengers flying to Germany and beyond is up and running at Heathrow, Birmingham and Manchester. Passengers with only hand baggage dial 0345 737310 and collect boarding passes at the airport.

ideas for millennium By TONY DAWE AND RACHAEL JOLLEY THE travel industry is preparing to face up to one of its toughest challenges: the premature enthusiasm of seawould be held next year. soned travellers and avid

partygoers to celebrate the millennium in style.

Special brochures will start appearing later this year, hotels are already trying to sift thousands of applications for 1999. New Year's Eve parties and organised companies have laid spectacular plans. However, travel experts are stracking the industry for a lack of originality. "The trouble is that all the

best hotels are always full at new year and need do little more than arrange a bigger party than usual," says Ann Scott, a leading travel consultant. "As far as exotic holidays are concerned, there is nothing new about a balloon safari over Africa or swimming with

dolphins in Florida." The most original ideas so far include seeing in the millennium twice either by flying Concorde to New York. or by cruising in the South Pacific. A nine-day voyage will call at Fiji for New Year's Eve before crossing the internaparty in the Cook Islands.

being helpful yet escoperative, and is being fully backed by our staff who are holding their The dawn of the new millenown fundraising events durnium will rise on Chatham ing the year".
Robert Smith, Unicer's exec-Island, an outpost of New Zealand which is the first the charity's work over the last-half century "had helped to day. This stony and inhospitable spot loses out as a party location. However, the idvilic reduce global child mortality from 25 million a year to 12.5 million, although that figure is Vavau in Tonga, just west of the dateline, will host a \$3,775-a-head (£2,450) party

with entertainers such as Jean-Michel Jarre. Closer to home, the Savoy Hotel in London already has

enough potential bookings to fill up twice over. A spokeswoman said a shortlist ballot

The owners of the Sumpion Venice Orient Express and the luxury British Pullman train are considering offers to hire them at more than £20,000 each. The Millennium Society, based in America, has booked the QE2 for a 20-day jaunt, culminating in a grand firework display at the foot of the Egyptian pyramids.

After balloting 1,000 regular travellers to discover their

ideas. Thomas Cook will publish a special millennium brochure later this year featuring trips to the Pyramids, Sydney and the Taj Mahal. "It seems people want to make the big day really stand out," a company spokesman said.

Miss Scott believes romantic or inspirational places will be the best venues to celebrate, depending on people's tastes. What could be a more inspiring place to welcome a new millennium than the Tai Mahal or the Abdydoes tem-ple on the Nile?" she asks... "For an opera buff, what

the Teano la Fenice in Venice; providing the restoration has Party planners who want to get away from the crowds have asked to hire the Nat-

cottages: the most asked-for

could be better than sitting in

location is Cornwall. Meanwhile, people who would rather avoid the millennium altogether, can trek to Nepal with Exodus Travel where, because of the different calendar, the year will be 2050; or they can join a trip to Ethiopia where it will be 1993.



Star turn at museum

BY DAVID CHURCHILL

LONDON'S Science Museum is boldly going where no museum has gone before, with its most successful exhibltion ever - the display of Star Trek contumen and memorabilia which is estimated to have attracted more than 250,000 "trekkers" since open-

The popularity of the exhibition is such that the museum has just decided to extend its rup for an extra two weeks, until March 10.

And it may also propel the Science Museum ahead of its neighbouring museums in the capital's league table. The Science Museum visitor numbers in recent years have been static at about 1.3 million, although this year it believes the popularity of Star Trek will push it above 1.5 million visitors in total; more than the Victoria & Albert and neck and neck with the Natural History Museum.

ing to Mark Sullivan, the project director, the exhibition has attracted people who do not visit museums.

museum's attention to people who might not have considered us in the past," he said.

We are clearly drawing the The popularity of the exhi-

bition has been helped this

fans of the original series featuring Captain Kirk which first hit television screens in America in 1966, It is estimated that Star Trek — which has spawned

year by the thirtieth an-

niversary celebration among

seven films and three other being screened somewhere on earth 24 hours a day, 365 days

• Star Trek — The Exhibition, until March 10 at The Science Museum, Exhibition Road, London SW7. Admission (exhibition only): £4.95 for adults, £2.95 children and concessions; combined ticket £8 and £4.50.

Soccer strips to be sold in-flight goods also tends to be focused

ter airline, Air 2000, is to start selling Newcastle United football shirts on board flights from the North East from April. And P&O European Perries is also experimenting with the team strips of four Premiership clubs on its cross-

The moves come as transport companies seek to im-\$40 million in non-convertible prove their proportion of taxforeign coins and low value iree sales, ahead of the 1999 notes. This, it says, is usually scrapping of duty-free allowances on goods such as alcohol put into a "safe place", and Air 2000 has also invested

Channel ferries.

£500,000 in an on-board computer system, designed to speed up credit-card transactions, improve tracking of sales and inventory, and read har-codes on goods. In trials, the system has

increased sales by 5 per cent. The airline is hoping to improve on last year's on-board sales of £20 million, which averaged just £5 per head.

Aircrew will distribute shopping magazines and tell

passengers of special deals. As

well as team shirts relevant to

the departure airport, the new range of goods includes exclusive perfumes. With duty-free sales due to

be scrapped, ferries, airports and airlines are placing more emphasis on tax-free goods such as toys, gifts and

"We have to get away from the concept that the only items people want to buy in the air are alcohol and cigarettes, said Air 2000's managing director Bill Kirkwood. "The buying of duty-free

at the airport. We are telling customers that buying on board can be more comfortable and cost-effective. "The average on-board

spend in the past couple of years has been flat. We have to persuade people that shopping in the air can be part of a holiday experience." P&O now carries 11,000 tax-free product lines on its 23

ships. Duty and tax-free sales accounted for 30 per cent of its £600 million revenue last year, with tax-free a growing proportion of the total.

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RAIL TRAVEL Y AIR TRAVEL

MANY British executives continue to take the plane rather than the train when travelling to or within Europe in the misguided belief that flying saves time. But this is high-speed rail (trains run-

not always the case thanks to newer trains and better scheduling. There is now often little difference between the two on many medium-length journeys, yet a first-class rail ticket can cost up to 75 per cent less than a one-way flexible air fare. As a further bonus, rail passengers avoid taxi fares to and from airports and tickets are free of airport taxes. An executive planning a short-stay midweek trip from London to either Paris or

Brussels would pay as little as £59 or £69 return by Eurostar in standard or E155 in firstclass compared to the cheapest equivalent air fares of more than £200. Even when based on flexible first-class tariffs, Eurostar still undercuts business-class fares to Paris or Brussels by more than 15 per cent. But the greatest savings are

within mainland Europe. A

first-class passenger taking

the train between Paris and

Brussels pays £66, against the air fare of £189. Frankfurt-Zürich costs £107 by rail compared to £217 by air. Zürich-Milan by air is £273 whereas the first-class rail Europe's current leaders in

ming at up to 186mph) are France and Germany. Germany's ICE trains run on purpose-built 186mph lines such as the Hamburg-Frankfurt-Munich one. They also make forays over conventional track on routes such as Frankfurt-Berlin and Frankfurt-Basel-Zürich. France's famous TGV trains run over long stretches of 186mph track south to Lyons, Geneva, Marseilles and Nice, west to Britanny and southwest to Bordeaux and Biarritz And the Paris bypass line (the rail equivalent of London's M25 motorway) means UK passengers heading beyond Paris no longer need to change in the French capital.

"Passengers arriving on Eurostar at the new Lille Europe station can connect with TGV trains south to Lyons in two hours or Mar-

seilles in four hours and 30 minutes," says Peter Mills, the French Railways spokesman. "Later this year a further link will enable the TGVs to run Lille-Nantes in three hours and Lille-Bordeaux in four hours," he says.

From June there will be a dramatic reduction in the time taken to cross the Alps by train. Pendolino "tilting trains" (made by Fiat of Italy) will cut an hour off the journey to Milan from Basel, Berne, Geneva and Zürich. While from October there will be a further reduction in the journey time between Paris, Lyons and Milan/Turin. But rail travel does have

some drawbacks: the booking systems are old-fashioned, so changing your ticket can be a hassle. And even buying a ticket in the UK can be a chore because few agents are railminded, although matters are improving. French Railways has opened "Rail Shops" in London, Manchester and Glasgow while London-based European Rail and Hogg Robinson are two agents now meeting demand with dedicated rail ticket offices.

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still too high". While Inter-Continental is the first hotel chain to organise such a scheme on behalf of Unicef, British Airways has for the past two years operated a system called Change For Good, which encourages it's passengers to donate their foreign coins and notes to The scheme, which initially operated only on long-haul flights, has just been extended to cover European short-hazil flights out of Manchester and Birmingham. BA says that more then £2 million has so far been raised for Unicef. The airline's surveys indicated that the 200 million or so international air travellers each year are left with about

published this week. France is perceived to offer the worst value for money and to be far more expensive than

promptly forgotten.

expensive than they had

abroad last year, of which 44 per cent went on meals out: , second largest amount of holiof all age groups said that



FEWER than one in five British holidaymakers who went to France last year plan to return in 1996 because of the surprisingly high cost of living, according to a survey

expected by 45 per cent of those who visited in 1995, says American Express. On the other hand those who spent their holidays in Australia, New Zealand and Cyprus found them to be less

British holidaymakers spent more than £13 billion sightseeing accounts for the day spending, at 22 per cent. and drinking is third, at 14 per cent. About 20 per cent of men drinking was their greatest expense on holiday while for women the figure was only 9

Drink-related death outwith insurance

of North America (UK) Ltd Before Lord Justice Neill, Lord Justice Aldous and Sir John

Judgment February 6

An insured person who took a culculated eigh and embarked deliberately on a course of conduct which led to some bodily injury could not claim under a personal accident insurance policy if the hodily injury was the natural and direct consequence of the course of

The Court of Appeal so stated dismissing an appeal by the plain-tiff. Mr Kashmir Singh Dhak, suing as administrator of the estate of his deceased wife. Mrs Inderit Singh, from the decision of Judge Maloulm Lee, QC, sitting as the merconfile judge at Birmingham on February 23, 1994 whereby he ordered that the plaintiff's claim against the defendants, the in-surance Company of North Amer-ica (UK) Lid should be dismissed.

The deceased was a ward sister at Birmingham General Hospital. She suffered severe back injury as a result of lifting a heavy patient and had a short period of treat-ment as an in-patient in hospital and then went back to work. She continued to suffer pain and began drinking alcohol in the hope of relieving the pain.

On October 28, 1986 while recovering at home from influenza whe died and a post mortem showed that the blood/alcohol concentration in her body was very inquest was death by mis-

The deceased had a personal accident policy which specified that benefits would be payable for Bodily injury resulting in death or

iod of insurance and caused directly or indirectly by the accident". The plaintiff obtained letters of administration and made a claim under the policy. Liability was

repudiated by the defendants and

the plaintiff sued them. Mr Michael Spencer, QC and Mr Richard Hone for the plaintiff: Mr Crawford Lindsay, QC and Mr David Pittaway for the defendants.

LORD JUSTICE NEILL said that to bring the claim within the terms of the insurance policy the plaintiff had to establish (i) that the plannan had to establish in that the deceased sustained a bodily injury (ii) that the bodily injury resulted in death and (iii) that the bodily injury was caused by accidental

An important issue at the trial was whether the deceased died from the toxic effects of the ingestion of alcohol or whether she died through asphyxiation. It might be that it was for that reason that the question whether the inhalation of foreign matter which led to asphyziation did or did not involve some bodily injury was not fully explored when the three pathologists gave their evidence.

Accordingly, in considering the questions whether the deceased suffered a bodily injury and whether that injury resulted in death one had to bear that point in

The judge had held that "the immediate mechanism of death was asphyxia caused by the regurgitation of the contents of the stomach of the deceased in her lungs" and that there was no bodily injury resulting in death. The defendants supported the Judge's findings.
His Lordship was quite satisfied.

injury within 12 months of the accident occurring during the permeaning of the policy for, inter meuning of the policy for, inter alia, the following reasons:

I 'The defendants were prepared to admit that in certain circumstances the swallowing of a peamit causing asphyxiation and death might involve bodily injury. But in such an event the mechanism of death would be similar to that in the present case.

The blockage of the windrine would lead to appose and after a short time to congestion of the lungs. That would be followed or accompanied by petechial haemorrhages and the absence of oxygen would then cause damage to the brain by anoxaemia.

2 Bodily injury would often involve some external trauma. But, in the absence of express words, his Lordship saw no reason why bodily injury should be restricted to some injury to the exterior of the

The introduction of some foreign matter into the body or into a particular part of the body which caused harmful physiological changes in the structure of the body could, in his Lordship's view, emount to bodily injury.

It would be remembered that "bodily injury" was defined in the policy as "bodily injury caused by accidental means". It was argued for the plaintiff that the deceased's death was plainly an accident.

His Lordship had come to the conclusion that it had not been established that the bodily injury to the deceased was caused by accidental means within the meaning of the policy. In reaching that conclusion his Lordship had been persuaded that the words "caused by accidental means" were a clear the injury to which the court pay its

court was referred to a number of cases on accidental injuries decided not only in England but also in Australia, Canada, the United States of America and New Zealand. Some of the decisions were impossible to reconcile. In a munber of the Canadian decisions the distinction between accidental means and accidental results had

In his Lordship's judgment, however, whatever the position might be in other jurisdictions, the terms of the policy required a court in England to concentrate on the cause of the injury and to inquire whether the injury was caused by accidental means.

It was common ground between counsel that a proximate cause meant the effective or dominant cause. The point at issue was the application of the law to the facts. The submission of the plaintiff was that the excessive intaine of alcohol was a part of the background but not the effective cause

of the injury. In his Lordship's judgment, however, the correct approach to the question of cause in the present case was to adopt the analysis approved by Lord Justice Mustill in De Somm + Home and Oversaar Co Ltd (unreported, July 20, 1990; CA). In addition one should consider whetehr the insured tok a calculated risk.

His Lordship would put the natter as follows: Where an insured embarked liberately on a course of conduct which led to some bodily injury one had to consider the following

(a) Did the insured latend to inflict some bath

with that course of conduct he might austain some bodily injury? ich Was some bodily injury the natural and direct consequence of . the course of conduct? (d) Did some fortunous cause inter Vene?

In the present case there was no suggestion whatever that the deto herself. One-had therefore to examine the other three questions. At the same time one must take account of all the circumstances including the state of knowledge or presumed state of knowledge of the

unsuren.

In considering what could be foressen one must apply the standard of foresight of the reasonable person with the autilities of the

His Lordship had come to the conclusion that the judge was justified in finding that the de-censed must have been well aware of the consequences and dangers of drinking alcohol to excess and that the must have been taken to have foreseen what might happen in the event of somemone drinking to many years of experience as a His Lordship left quite unable to

death were the direct result of some formious cause it was the lirect consequence of her drinking

in excess.

Indeed, his Lordship felt bound, lo say that for someone with her knowledge and experience she must be regarded as having taken a calculated risk of sustaining some bodily injury. Lord Justice Aldous and Sir John

balcombe agreed. Solicitors: Graham Pearce & Co. Solihull; Barlow Lyde Gilbert.

Companies can pay salary in return for shares ...

Life and Others

Before Land Justice Nourse, Lord Justice Roch and Lord Justice Hobhouse

[hudgment Pebruary I] The provisions in section 151 of the Companies Act 1985 probleming a company from giving financial assistance for the acquisition of its assistance or the acquisation of the own shares did not apply to an agreement whereby four private companies together assumed liability for making intore payments of salary, bomis and pension, subject to their being sufficient profits, to one of its shareholders in return for that shareholder transferring shares in

Taking into account only that part of the salary that was immediately payable at the timethe agreement was executed, there was no material reduction in the net assets of the relevant company, The Court of Appeal so held in a

one of those companies.

reserved judgment allowing an appeal by the plaintiff. Leslie N. Parlett, from part of the decision in favour of the second and third defendants. David Parlett and Robert Parlett, by Judge Raymond Jack, QC, siming as a judge of the Queen's Bench Division in Bristol Mercantile Court in June 1994, that an agreement in 1988 for the transfer of 26,000 shares in Gup-

dant, was unenforceable.

Section 151 of the 1985 Act provides: "(1) ... where a person is acquiring ... shares in a company, it is not lawful for the company to give financial assistance directly or midirectly for the purpose of that acquisition before or at the same time as the acquisition takes

Section 152(1) defines "financial assistance" as including "(iv) any other financial assistance given by a company the net assets of which

Parlett v Guppys (Bridport). für "net assets" to mean "the aggregate of the company's assets.
less the aggregate of its
liabilities.

The plaintiff in person, Mr
Michael Todd as amicus curiae.

Mr Michael Templeman for the LORD JUSTICE NOURSE said the statutory provisions prohibit-ing a company from giving linear-cial assistance for the acquisition of its own shares were in sections 151 to 158 of the Companies Act

1985. Their complexity in contrast to the relative simplicity of their predecessor, section 54 of the predecessor, section 54 of the Companies Act 1948, was ex-plained by Parliament's intention to relax the rigidity of the former regime in certain respects, more especially in its application. To private companies.

One such relaxation was that assistance, not otherwise objec-tionable, which did not reduce the

net assets of the company to a material extent was no longer prohibited. Whether there was or was not such a reduction in net was not such a reduction in her assets was the principal question for decision on the appeal.

The proceedings arose out of a dispute between the planniff and his two sons. The plainiff would only continue working for the family companies if he was paid a select and a profit.

salary and a share of the profits.

Thus in July 1988 it was agreed that four firmily companies should between their provide the plaintiff with a salary of £100,000, hours and pension is return for the plaintiff transferring his shares in the fourth defendant into the joint that the plaintiff transferring his shares in the fourth defendant into the joint. names of himself and his sons. The agreement to make the payments

was made subject to there being sufficient profits.

In 1991 the writ claiming the helance of selary and bonns al-leged to be owed to the plaining was issued. The judge held that the defendants had made out their

only if. Guppys Estates' participa non in the agreement caused a material reduction in its net assets. it had given unlawful linancial assitance for the acquisition by the sons of its own shares; contrary to section ISI(I).

The defendants submitted that Hanl for A

when the financial assistance consisted of the assumption of liability to make future payments, the company's net assets were at that time reduced by taking into account all those payments, even if the liability was limited to pay-ment out of future distributable profits. Thus, it was argued, the reduction in Guppys Estates' net assets had so be measured by taking into account the capitalised value at that date of all future payments to the plaintiff under the

greement Mr Todd submined that it was Mr Todd submitted that it was incorrect to take into account anything there than that part of the safary and opines which was immediately payable on the conclusion of the agreement and that in any event there had to be taken into account the counter-belonging asset armired by Gurbalancing asset acquired by Guppys Estates in the shape of the plaintiff's services.

pys Estates in the shape of the plaintiff's services.
In principle Mr Todd's submissions were correct. However, the judge thought that the value of the plaintiff's services in the fourth defendant, objectively judged, was not worth as much as much as EIOO.000 a year plus one quarter of the printits so in that footing there was a reduction in the net assets of the group of companies. That in itself was not enough to bring the 1988 agreement within section 15(fil). The decisive question was whether there was a reduction in whether there was a reduction in the net assets of Guppy's Estates to a material extent. Sufficient ma-

first there was not.
Lord Justice Roch and Lord Justice Flobhouse agreed. defence under section 51.

The parties agreed that if, and Hancock & Wesson, Truro. Solicitors: Treesury Solicitor.

Whether new tenancy created by council

Greenwich London Borough Council v Regan Before Lord Justice Millen and

Judgment January 31

It was a question of fact in every case whether a new tenancy or a licence was created when a land-lord, who had obtained a suspunded possession order for nonpayment of rent against a secure tenant, allowed the tenant to remain in occupation after a breach of the order or reached agreement with the tenant as to the repayment of rent arrears.

In a case where the landlord had waived breaches of the tenancy agreement, the original tenancy agreement continued in being and sections 82(1) and 85 of Part IV of the Housing Act 1985 did not operate to bring into being a new tenancy or licence.

The Court of Appeal so held dismissing an appeal by Robert Rugan against the dismissal by Judge Harris in Woolwich County Court on September 7, 1995 of his application for a stay of possession and giving leave to his landlord, to execute a warrant for possession of 48 Wixom House, Kidbrooke,

provides: "(i) A secure tenancy which is ... a weekly or other periodic tenancy ... cannot be brought to an end by the landlord except by obtaining an order of the court for the possession of the

dwelling-house."
Section 85 provides: "(2) On the making of an order for possession of such a dwelling-house ... or at any time before the execution of the order, the court may (a) stay or suspend the execution of the order. or (b) postpone the date of possession for such period or periods as the court thinks lit.

"(3) On such an adjournment. stay, suspension or postponement the court — (a) shall impose conditions with respect to the payment by the tenant of arrears of rent (if any) and rent or payments in respect of occupation after the termination of the tenancy (mesne profits), unless it considers that to do say would cause exceptional hardship the tenant or would otherwise be unreasonable." Mr William Geldart for the tenant; Mr Ian Peacock for the

LORD JUSTICE MILLETT said the council had first served the session for rent arrears in September 1988. Proceedings had begun in should have arisen.

June 1989 and on July 24, 1989 an order for possession had been made, suspended upon weekly payments of £1.75 lowards the

There had been further breaches of the payment terms and the council had warned the tenant that he was in danger of eviction for non-payment. On February 4, 1994 council had agreed to accept Elt) a week towards the arrears, in addition to rent of £45.82. The council had said: "If you miss any payments in future, the possess order against you will be enforced and you will be evicted."

It had been submitted that the secure tenancy had ended on September 4, 1989 when the tenant first committed a breach of the tenancy conditions and that the local authority must be taken to have entered into a new tenancy agreement. Alternatively, it was argued that a fresh tenancy was created in February 1994.

His Lordship reviewed the relevant sections of the Housing Act 1985. The judge had held that the combined effect of those provision was that the termination of a tenant with a notice seeking pos- that there was no reason in

possession was to give the tenant an opportunity to rectify his de-The tenancy would continue in the meantime and would never have been brought finally to an end and on discharge of an order there would be no date on which the tenant was to give up

It was a question of fact in every

case whether the parties' conduct was consistent with their relation-ship being modified or whether it was a new relationship altogether. The facts of the present case could be distinguished from those of Burrows v Brent London Borough Council (The Times July 21, 1995; (1995) 27 HLR 748), where the court had held that a new lesse or

LORD JUSTICE WARD said section 85(2) envisaged two dif-ferent situations (a) the date under which the tenancy was to have been given up would have passed and (b) the date for termination had been postponed.

The power to order mesne profits was exercisable even if the tenancy had terminated by operauntil the warrant was executed and possession was discharged the that there was no reason in termination of tenancy which was principle why a new tenancy dependant on that order must fall

If the position was that the court could suspend possession, was the position any different when the parties agreed among themselves to suspend the possession order and not trouble the court? If it were, it would be necessary to go back to court every time a due navment was late.

His Lordship was rejuctant to conclude that the local authority would be at risk of creating a new tenancy if it accepted payment without the courts sanction. The answer was in what Lord Justice Auld had said in Burrows v Brent: "It all depends what the parties intended in the circumstances." On the facts of the case it was clear there was no intention to

create a new tenancy. Solicitors: Hudgell & Partners, Woolwich: Mr David Atkinson,

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Justices cannot order CSA to repay money

Security v McKay Same v Brown

Same v Shotton Before Mr Justice Latham Uudgment January 23

Justices had no nower to order the Child Support Agency to make restitutory repayments to the perurder even where it was conceded that the attachment of earnings order was defective.

Mr Justice Latham so held in the Queen's Bench Division in upholding the appeal of the Secretary of State for Social Security against the order of Watford Justices on January 25, 1995 that the Child Support Agency should repay money deducted from Graham McKay under a defective deduction from earnings order and in

appeal against decisions by jus-nices to quash deduction from earnings orders made against Peter Francis Brown and George Shotton and to refuse to grant a liability order against Graham Taylor.

Mr Mark Shaw for the Secretary of State: Mr Nicholas Lockett for McKay: the other respondents did not appear and were not MR JUSTICE LATHAM said that it had been conceded before

the justices that the deduction from

earnings order against Mr McKay The justices held, having been referred to Woohsich Equitable Building Society v Inland Revenue Commissioners (1993) AC 701, that they had power, having quashed the CSA order, to require repayment by the secretary of state for the sums paid under that order on

by a public authority. The justices had held that Mr McKay was entitled at common

law to repayment of those sums, pursuant to the court's powers under section 58 of the Magistrates' Courts Act 1980. That raised a fundamental principie as to the powers of the magistrates' courts. The jurisdic-

nion of magistrates' courts was

governed by statute. They had no power to consider stions or make orders where there was no statutory provision empowering them to do so. It would be surprising if the power to quash a deduction from earnings order was intended to include a power to order repayment. It had to be remembered that the CSA was merely collecting money on behalf of the parent who had care of the child.

The consequence of an order for repayment, simpliciter, would be to require the CSA, which had not heen unjustly enriched because the money had gone to the parent with care of the child, to pay a sum of money to the liable parent which would either be a windfall to him or her, or could be claimed back immediately by the CSA as the sum due and owing under the maintenance assessment.

former result had nothing to do with principles of restitution but with principles of restitut had the characteristics of a penalty: the latter produced a For those reasons, his Lordship rejected the argument that a magistrates' court had any power to order repayment of sums paid under a defective deduction from

earnings order. Solicitors: Solicitor, Department of Social Security: Pictors, Dishonesty onus on owner of trade mark

Barelays Bank pic v RBS goods or services as those of the to be a beiter card all round and a proprietor or a licenses.

Before Mr Justice Laddle But any such use otherwise included a comparative table, list in industrial or commercial material. [Jodgment January 26]

Although the drafting of sub-section (6) of section 10 of Trade Marks Act 1994 was a mess, its primary objective was to legalise comparative advertising" and the onus was on the owner of a mark, who claimed that such advertising, referring to his mark, was unlawful, to show that such use would not be considered honest by members of a reasonable audience.

Mr Justice Laddie so held in the Mr Justice Ladde to held in the Chancery Division, in refusing an application by the plaintiff, Barclays Bank pic, owner of the registered trade mark Barclayeard, for an interlocutory injunction restraining the defendant, RBS Advanta, a joint adventage. ture incorporated in Scotland, from refercing to that mark in literature intended to promote its own RBS Advanta Visa credit card.

in Bismag v Amblins (Chemista)
Ltd (1940) 57 RPC 209 (CA)
comparative advertising in which
one trader made express reference to a competitor's mark was ipan facto held an infringement. To rectify that, section 10 of the

10 recuty that, second to of the 1994 Act provided: "(6) Nothing in ... this section shall be construed as preventing the use of a reg-istered trade mark by any person for the purpose of identifying the

than in accordance with honest- ing six competitors cards, includpractices in industrial or commercial matters shall be treated as infringing the registered trade mark if the use without due cause, takes unfair advantage of or is detrimental to, the distinctive character or repute of the trade

Mr Devid Young, QC, for Barclays: Mr Michael Silverleaf for RBS.

MR JUSTICE LADDIE said that RBS's amended literature, intended to advertise a new credit cand of its own, referred to the services offered by a number of major competitors, in perticular mentioning "Burchycard Visa", with the result, according to Barchys, that RBS's card would get an unfair advantage in the

ing six competitors cards, including Barciaycard. Standard Mssa. and RBS's card, with headings including ahmial fee, associated percentage rate on purchases and on cash advances, and monthly rare per cent. A second table on that page, of similar layous, also referred to Barclaycard.

Coursel were united in criticising the drafting of section. 10(6) of the 1994 Act. His Lordship agreed it was a ness. The first half was home-grown but the second could be traced back to the Paris Convenbe traced back to the Paris Convention for the protection of industrial property 1883, as revised at Brussels on December, 14, 1900, dealing with uniair competition, and thence to article 6(1) of the EEC. Trade Mark Directive 89/104/EEC (OJ 1989 LAOS).

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market.

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Even though under American
Cyanamid Co vEthicon Lat ([1975]
AC 396) it was only necessary for and address, (b) the use of indications of services of software Ltd v Clarke (The Times January 19) Barclays' case was too weak for relief to be granted.

RBS's mailshot included a leaf-let, listing 15 ways its card was said.

That had been adopted, with twith like and implied its card was minor changes, as section 11(2) of the list of his lordship said that read fairly, all the material conveyed was RBS's belief that its card, was card was concerning the kind, quality, and taking nito account both his production of goods or of rendering of services, or other characteristics of goods or of rendering the kind of the trade mark.

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- It was difficult to formulate any construction of the provise to section 10(b) which afforded every who a distinct function and which was also consistent with sections (OCI) and II(Z). It seemed to his Lordship that its primary objective would be to allow comparative (advertising so long as use of a competitor's mark was considered houses by members of a reason-able audience, honesty being gauged against what was reason-ably to be expected, by the relevant public, of advertisements for that what of goods or services.

Mr Young had accepted that Barclays could not have com-plained if RBS had simply said its card was better, but in descending to details it had not compared like with like and implied its card was better on all IS points.

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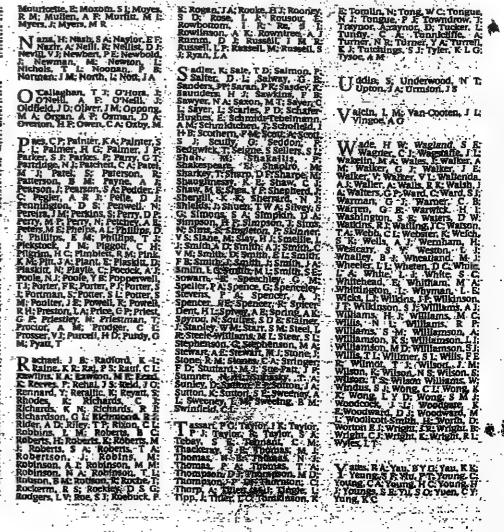
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Former Great Britain coach makes unexpected return as player

.. Sydney Tigers add Hanley to squad for ARL season

By Christopher Irvine

ability after the Super

Leeds until June and Manly

want him immediately, the decision on who benefits from

his services appears to be

Of the remaining recruits, only Hanley and Lee Jackson.

the Great Britain hooker, now

at Newcastle Knights, have had then futures with the ARL

determined. Jonathan Davies,

who received a £100,000 sign-

ing on fee, is back in rugby union at Cardiff. Martin Hall,

Jason Robinson and Gary Connolly are tied to Wigan for

one, two and three years, respectively. Kevin Ellis, a

member of a discredited Great

Britain sevens entry in Sydney, is only nominally linked

destined for the courts.

League season.

THE Australian Rugby League (ARL), which spent £5.5 million on nine Britishbased players at the height of the inflationary war with Super League last year, yesterday announced that Ellery Hanley, the former Great Britain captain and coach, will be joining Sydney Tigers for the forthcoming ARL season.

He will be 35 next month. Hanley received an initial £250,000 signing on fee from the ARL and is due a further £200,000 over three years. His last competitive appearance was for Leeds ten months ago. A damaged shoulder, which would have put lesser players out of the game, has under-

gone extensive repair. Hanley maintains that he is fit, but part of his job description involving junior coaching and marketing may occupy more of his energies than might have been expected of a full-time player. The ARL expected Hanley to compete in the World Sevens last weekend, but he attracted criticism for standing down from a well-beaten Great Britain

It was thought that he would fill a senior coaching position at one of the dozen clubs to remain loyal to the ARL in its dispute with the breakaway Super League. However, nothing was seen as suitable, so Hanley was given a playing contract with the former Balmain club, where he had a summer stint eight. years ago. Wayne Pearce, the Tigers' coach, said that he intended to use Hanley's experience in a wide range of

Hanley, who is expected to return to Sydney before the season starts, in three weeks, said: "I have fond memories of my time there in 1988 and am to North Queensland and looking forward to helping the Steve Hampson, 34, another. Tigers become a top premier-Britain veteran now at Salford, has still to be allocated a

Craig Innes, Hanley's for-mer Leeds colleague and another highly-priced ARL re-Embarrassment at the sums paid by the ARL extends to the cruit from the British game, had planned to leave Headingley today to join Manly-Warringah, but has been persuaded to stay on, at least until after the Sil Cut calibre of some of those signed up; not that cents prevailed in the ARL's desperate mission to buy players and win kudos in the marathon struggle against least until after the Silk Cut Challenge Cup fifth-round tie now isolated from the rest of at Warrington on Saturday. As Innes, the New Zealand the rugby league world.

The ARL season starts at the

centre, is under contract at same time as the ten-team Australasian Super League is due to launch on March 1 -Martin Offiah, the Wigan and Great Britain rugby league wing would consider playing rugby union on a the European version begins on March 29 - although the imminent judgment of James Burchett, an Australian federal court judge, on loyalty contracts that the ARL claims short-term contract next winter, subject to his club's agreement, according to Alan McColm, his agent. clubs signed before switching caps to Super League, is of more immediate concern. McColm said yesterday that five union clubs had in-News Limited, the Austraquired about Offiah's avail-

lian arm of the News Corporation, which is the parent company of The Times, claims the agreements were signed under duress, are anti-competitive and should be declared void. Whatever Judge Burchett's decision, it will not mark the end of the legal road. Both sides have indicated that, should they lose, they will

A Rugby Football League board of directors' proposal for a change in voting rights was overwhelmingly accepted by a special general meeting of clubs in Leeds yesterday. Super League clubs will receive four votes each, first division clubs two apiece and second division clubs one each. The clubs added a rider that at least 16 of them would have to back any proposal for



McRae aims to join rallying's all-time greats

Oliver Holt meets a driver

determined not to dwell

on the glories of last year

t is nearly three months since Colin McRae won the world raily championship, but it does not seem to have changed him. He has not developed a taste for fancy jewellery, he has not mastered the art of the soundbite for the media who crowd around him, he still gets his mum to do his ironing whenever he can and he wants to win just as badly as ever.

McRae begins the defence tomorrow on the first day of the Swedish rally. Some have suggested that his motivation may not be what it was because he has already claimed the sport's biggest prize. Others, including Carlos Sainz, his arch-rival, have predicted that his rivals will try to make it especially difficult for him to repeat his success.

"I know what it is like trying to defend a title," Sainz, who was involved in a bitter battle for the championship with McRae last year, said.

"There is no doubt Colin will be a marked man. When you are world champion, everyone is out to beat ou. The pressure on Colin to continue his winning streak will be tremendous. Everyone will be expecting him to keep delivering the

McRae, 27, has reacted to all the speculation with his usual sang-froid. Yesterday, he warmed up for the rally in the frozen wastes of northern Sweden by clowning around on a skidoo. His responses to the

doubters were characteristically short and to the point. He wants more, not less. "In many ways, I think the not be as great." he said.
"I want to win again and I probably feel a bit more confident than last year because of having one title under my belt already. People are talking about this year as though there is nothing left to achieve, but it

nothing left to achieve, but it is still a big, big challenge.
"One of the largest motivating factors is that there have only been two other drivers — Miki Biasion and Juha Kankkunen — who have won back-to-back world rally championships, so to equal them would be a big

"Then, I want to go on and win a third, and no one has done that before."

McRae's main challenge this year may come from Kenneth Eriksson, his new team-mate, but the Scot is the hot favourite. Sainz Is driving for Ford this year and is unlikely to be competitive early in the season, and even though the New Zealand rally, which McRae has won two years in succession, and the RAC rally are not on the calendar this year, it is still packed full of the type of gravel events that he relishes.

"The rougher gravel ral-lies suit me a lot better, but I went head-to-head with Carlos on tarmac last season in Catalunya so I don't even have any hang-ups about that any more," he said.

"Nothing has really changed from last season. I have been too busy testing and doing a team tour to the Far East to notice any differences in my life caused by being world champion. I was invited on Question of Sport, but that is about it."



McRae, right, and Derek Ringer, his co-driver, celebrate victory in the Network Q RAC Rally

Scotland see no reason to change for Wales

SCOTLAND, predictably, named an unchanged rugby union side yester-day to play Wales in the five nations' ary 17; but, while selection was automatic after the victory over France last Saturday, Jim Telfer, the team manager, moved quickly to ensure that none of the players would get carried away by the euphoria that greeted that victory.

Telfer told a press conference at Murrayfield yesterday: "I-still think that the performance in Ireland was more complete [than that against Francel, because we stuck to our. game plan better. I think we showed inexperience against France, almost to the point of naivety; luckly it wasn't punished. There is a lot of tightening up to do. I feel a lot of the players were doing something which

"Personally, I was worried about the lack of composure, the inability of the players, when they were 16-8 ahead, to go further ahead. France did not impose themselves that much."

Harsh words, perhaps, but, in his own way, Telfer was already indulg-ing in the sort of psychological warfare that is an intrinsic part of modern sport. He was also ensuring that the players in his charge, many of whom were written off a month

ago, keep their feet on the ground in the wake of two subsequent victories. Telfer is a pragmatist and, as he admitted yesterday, he prefers to look for flaws. "I like working from a

He expressed surprise that the home victory over France, which partially avenged the disappoint-ment of the World Cup, had had such an impact when wins at Murrayfield

15 years ago were "run of the mill". He said: "The manner may have been different, but we should not get carried away by winning at home." Telfer stressed that he was taking nothing away from the players who pointedly, he added: "There are no

stick to that, the better.' Looking to the challenge of Wales, Telier said that he had been especial-

scrum half who made his debut against England, a player whom he likened to Joost vanider Westhuizen, the South African who almost singlehandedly destroyed Scotland at Murrayfield in 1994;

He believes that Wales would have gained more from the international at Twickenham last Saturday than England, who appeared riven by internal strife. They [Wales] will be a completely different team [than France]," he said. "It is a new side

stars, as yet. They are still on a and they will make life difficult for learning curve and, as long as they us. They are very fit and work for each other, they seem to have no inhibitions, some of them are not old enough even to have nerves."

down against England in a month's time on the horizon, Telfer likened the match in Cardiff to a cup semifinal . . . "and everyone hates to lose semi-finals," he said.

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SCOTLAND: R J S Shepherd (Meirose); C A Joiner (Meirose), S Hassings (Westonscha), I C Jardine (Stefring County), M Dods (Northempton), I C Jardine (Stefring County), M Model (Northempton); S W Redpath (Meirose); D I W Histon (Settil, K D MacKenzie (String County), P H Wright (Borouphrusy), R I Weintwright (Westonsens, captan), S J Campbell (Dunder HSFP), G W Weit (Newcastiel, I R Smith (Gloucaster), E W Peters (Bath), Replacements: K M Logan (String County), C M Chalmers (Meirose), G Armstrong (Newcastie), S Murray (Edmburgh Academical), A P Burnell (London Scottish), J A Hey (Hawick)

RFU stands firm on TV decision

BY DAVID HANDS MUGBY COMRESPONDENT

REPRESENTATIVES of England's leading sports, under the auspices of the Central Council for Physical Recreation, will meet the Government's policy unit tomorrow to confirm their free-market convictions after the vote in the House of Lords on Tuesday night preventing exclusive satellite broadcasting of core sporting events.

The Rugby Football Union's

(RFU) stance remains un-changed, particularly in a season that will see the conclusion of Pilkington's sponsorship of the junior knockout competition that began six years ago. The RFU believes that such grass-roots elements will receive wider coverage from satellite than on busy terrestrial change is.
There are different aspects

to the packages available to television." Tony Hallett, the RFU secretary, said yesterday, "and we are better placed to

mastermind the packages." Already, BSkyB, which is 40 per cent owned by News International, owner of The Times, has a three-year agreement to screen the Middlesex Sevens, while the new Heineken Cup is broadcast by ITV; BBC's contract for homeunions rugby has 15 months to

The Pilkington Shield caters for more than 500 clubs at the joined with a new intermedi- France on Saturday week.

a package linked to coverage of the Pilkington Cup. The bad weather is likely to

hit the delayed fifth round of the Pilkington Cup. Seven games are scheduled for Saturday, but, even if the tie between Leeds and London Irish goes ahead, the Irish will be without David Humphreys, 24, who joins the international squad for trainbottom end of the game; it is ing, having made strong likely that, in future, it will be claims for his first cap against

Couples returns to defend Dubai title

Seve Ballesteros's nomination as Europe's next Ryder Cup captain, but has some reservations as to whether he should also fulfil a playing role against the United States in Spain next year (a Special Correspondent writes).

Faldo sees pitfalls in

dual role for captain

Ballesteros has expressed a desire to become the first playing captain since Arnold Palmer in 1963, Yet Faldo believes that would be a tremendous strain, even though the Spaniard is better equipped than most to cope with the intense pressure.

"If anyone can do it, Seve can, but it will present an awful lot of headaches," Faldo said on the eve of starting his challenge for the Buick Invitational, that begins today in San Diego.

I am sure Seve will work out a game plan of how to cope with it mentally, but it is going to be very difficult. It is exhausting enough just playing let alone trying to fulfil two roles and being concerned with what the rest of the team is doing." Faldo, the most experienced

NICK FALDO welcomes of Europe's Cup squad with a record-equalling ten appear-ances, would also like to see the burden lifted from the captain's shoulders in the twoyear build-up to an event that has grown into golf's most glittering spectacle. Lanny Wadkins, the beaten

United States captain, was restricted to 20 tournaments last year and finished 162nd in the rankings. "I felt sorry for Bernard Gallacher [the European captain), who spent two years before the match doing public relations stuff and that's not right," he said. "It is no coincidence that a captain's form suffers."
Faldo, who was within

striking distance of his first win of the year before rain washed out the final two rounds of the Pebble Beach National Pro-Am last weekend, played a practice round yesterday even though fog reduced visibility to less than 80 yards on the south course

at Torrey Pines. Barry Lane was unable to get on to the course, being confined to bed with a throat infection.

FRED COUPLES, of the United States, is to defend his title in the Dubai Desert Classic golf tournament from March 14 to 17, despite the clash with Arnold Palmer's Bay Hill Invitational tournament on

the US PGA Tour. He will meet ten of Europe's winning Ryder Cup side, in-cluding Seve Ballesteros, who has not played since Septem-ber. Only Nick Faldo and Bernhard Langer will be missing.
The field will also include

José Maria Olazábal, who has been resting since September because of the foot injury that forced him to withdraw from the Ryder Cup. Last season, Couples was

joined in Dubai by Greg Norman, Nick Price and Ernie Els, the world's top three, but none is returning this time because the tournament has been switched from January because of the religious festiance-money paid last time, prize-money is going up from £450,000 to £650,000. Most of the money from the

first two events on the Tour has gone the way of Ian Woosnam, who has earned almost three times as much as his closest rival. The Welshman's victories in Singapore and Australia have seen him win £193,000, with Andrew Coltart, of Scotland, second on the earnings list on £66,600.

Paul McGinley, of Ireland,

who was runner-up to Woosnam in Australia, moved up to third place with E52,950. The PGA Seniors championship is to be sponsored by The Belfry - scene of the past three Ryder Cup matches in Great Britain - for the next ten years. The 1996 event, with a £150,000 prize fund, will be from August 22 to 25, and the organisers hope to attract leading players from the United States Seniors Tour.

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Hall settles lingering doubt about Asprilla

yet a Newcastle United player. but, work permits and residency permitting, there is little doubt now that he soon will be. The disputes with Parma over his fitness were dismissed yesterday as Sir John Hall, the Newcastle chairman. confirmed that the £6.7 million transfer from the Italian club would go through in the next day or so.

"As I understand it, the deal has been sorted out and, hopefully, he will be coming to Newcastle to sign." Hall said vesterday morning.

The news came as a welcome relief to Kevin Keegan. whose determination to land the player had never wavered. The knee problem that delayed the transfer and threatened to halt it, and doubts about the Colombia international's temperament -- to say nothing of a suspended jail sentence for firearms offences had caused some to look askance at Keegan's enthusi-

Saso Udovic scored six goals in 38 minutes in Slovenia's 7-1 rout of Iceland in the opening match of a four-nation tournament in Valetta, Malta yesterday. Iceland scored first, in the fortieth minute, but Udovic replied a minute later, and then in the 47th, 57th, 69th, 74th and 79th minutes.

asm, but the Newcastle manager remained adamant.

Obviously there were doubts in everybody's minds, because of what has gone on." Keegan said last night. "A lot of rubbish has been written about the lad, much of which I found in bad taste.

"I've seen what other people say about him, but, if I had signed players on the basis of what I heard about them, David Ginola and Andy Cole would not have come to this club, and the fans would

"You've got to have the courage to look at what you need and get the very best available. That's what I did.

"I'm just delighted that he's coming and will get the chance to prove his worth on the football field. That's where he should be judged, as far as I'm concerned.

If Asprilla, 26, proves as successful — and as popular as Cole and Ginola at St

the Brazilian, at a meeting of

the Scottish League manage-

ment committee today. They

hope that the committee will

give them permission to seek a

work permit for the striker.

even though there would still

The champions of the Bell's

League premier division may

run into problems persuading

the Home Office to grant

Jardel such a permit, however.

as he is not a full

Rangers would base their

FAUSTINO ASPRILLA is not James' Park, Keegan will have proved his point beyond contradiction, and may also have the FA Carling Premiership title as his reward. The manager has no doubts about the quality of his imminent signing, nor of his likely impact on

the Newcastle supporters.
"It's just my opinion, but I would rate him among the top five [forwards] in the world," Keegan said. "The crowd will love him — he's a matchwinner, a goalscorer and an

"He's a real Newcastle playquick, works hard and has flair. Faustino is the sort of player that Geordies love. The players they talk about are just like him. He will contribute a lot to what we do and will give us a new dimension."

As Keegan said, the thought of Asprilla playing with Beardsley and Ferdinand in the Newcastle attack is mouthwatering, or forbidding if you happen to be an opposing defender. However, with the run-in to the championship approaching, his integration will come at a time when Newcastle can ill afford to take pit-stops to fine-tune their

engine.
There will be language problems and he will take time to settle in," Keegan said. "Great players adapt, though and there's a willingness on all sides to help him."

Newcastle will hope that the work permit will arrive sooner rather than later, with some initial problems in fitting him into the side appearing inevitable. Keegan, always the enthusiast, did not see any

problems as insuperable. "It will be interesting to see how Les Ferdinand and Peter Beardsley bounce off him." he said. "It depends on how he adjusts to English football, but he falls in line with a lot of the players we've got here.

He will be very comfortable with them. Great players like playing alongside great players here."

At least, with Juninho at Middlesbrough and Branco also expected to join the Teesside club. Asprilla will have some fellow South Americans nearby, unlike Mirandinha. the last South American to play for Newcastle. Branco watched Middlesbrough's FA Cup fourth round tie with Wimbledon last night, with transfer formalities to be followed up this morning.

exceptional player. He has visited the club and assured

Walter Smith, the manager,

Rangers would claim an

outstanding work permit available to Scottish clubs for

non-European Union players.

That became available when

Oleg Salenko moved to

Istanbulspor, of Turkey, in the

swap that took Peter van

Vossen, the Dutchman, to

Mark Ward, 33, the

Birmingham City player-coach, has been told he can

leave the first division club on

that he is keen to join.

RANGERS hope to move a step closer to signing Jardel, exceptional player. He has



Redknapp, the West Ham manager, can reflect on some good results on the pitch and in the foreign transfer market

Redknapp happy with foreign legion

Russell Kempson finds the West Ham

manager with reasons to be cheerful

TWO months ago, Harry Redknapp pronounced him-self satisfied with West Ham place in the FA Carling Premiership. "It's a bit strange," he mused. "We don't have anything to fight for. We're not used to that." He should have known better. After a sequence of six defeats in seven matches, West Ham were

back in the mire. Successive victories over Coventry City and Nottingham Forest have helped ease The addition, too, of representatives from Portugal, Croatia and Romania to Upton Park's ever-expanding foreign legion has restored the belief that West Ham will be comfortably clear of trouble when the day of reckoning arrives in May. Redknapp, the manager, is happy again. "It's been a good few days," he said. "Beating Coventry and Forest was obvi-

ously important. We had to get

things going after a poor run.

Everton midfielder was trans-

fer-listed at £250,000 in Nov-

ember after a contract dispute.

"I am disappointed to have

ended my spell like this

because I wanted to help the

club get into the Premier League," he said.

Barry Fry, the Birmingham manager, is set to enter the

transfer market again. He is

seeking to sign the Peterbor-

ough leading scorer, Gary Martindale, and his team-

mate. Gary Breen, in ex-

change for the transfer-listed

Birmingham pair Steve Castle

Castle was signed for

£250,000 from Plymouth in

and Ken Charlerey.

it's all quiet on the transfer front now and I'm quite happy aren't fit to lace his boots.

with the squad I've got."
Dani da Cruz Carvalho. 19. from Portugal, played for nine minutes in the 1-0 win over Forest on Saturday. His audacious, yet unsuccessful, attempt to score from the halfway line bodes well for the remainder of his loan period. Slaven Bilic, the Croatia captain, should don the claret and blue soon, while the future of Ilie Dumitrescu, of Romania. is likely to be decided today.

Work permit difficulties, because he played so few games for Tottenham Hotspur before moving to east London for £1.5 million, have cast a solitary shadow on Redknapp's contentment. "I really can't see why life shouldn't get a permit," he said. "He's a topclass international and a lot of

the summer but was listed by

Fry, who has been pursuing

the Ireland under-21 interna-

tional Breen to boost his first

division promotion campaign.

Charlerey left Peterborough to

join Birmingham six months ago but has also been placed

on the list by Fry, and his return to London Road would

be his third spell at the club.

Michael Thompson, yesterday announced that the club had

appointed Kevin Cullis as

manager. The appointment

was unexpected as his experi-

ence has been confined to non-

league football. He joins Swansea from Bilston United.

Swansea City's new owner.

brought into this country

The reason why he didn't play much at Tottenham was because he wasn't part of Gerry Francis's plans. That's Gerry's right, and he's been very successful in what he's done, but, if players can't get. in one team, they then move it's always been if a player can't play for his new club just because he didn't play enough times for his old club, no one

would move anywhere." Redknapp's disillusion with the bureaucratic process has been tempered by the sudden emergence of Darmy Williamson from bit-part player to integral member of the side. After three seasons of going nowhere at Upton Park, apart from a loan spell at Doncaster

RICHIE WENTON, the Brit-

ish super-bantamweight

champion, may challenge for

the world title at the end of the

year. He has already had an

offer to meet Marco Antonio

Barrera, the formidable

World Boxing Organisation champion, but has turned it

Wenton and Barry Hearn,

his manager, said yesterday that they were still interested

in meeting Barrera - but had

other plans first. Wenton ex-

pects to win the European title

in May, a bout that Hearn

hopes to put on in Liverpool.

down for the present.

Rovers, of the Endsleigh Insurance League third division. two years ago, Williamson, 22, is upstaging many of his more instantly recognisable team-

Whether employed wide on the right, or in central midfield, he has proved equally effective. "He's been excellent for us in either position," Redknapp said. "He doesn't appear to have a problem wherever we put him. Good players can play anywhere and thars the way it's got to be nowadays. They have to be

Although Blackburn Rovers have made an inquiry about Keith Rowland, the Northern Ireland utility player, who has started only six matches this season and recently served a two-match suspension. Redknapp now envisages a period of relative calm at the club. No more exotic imports and, preferably, nothing to fight for in the Premiership but respect-

Wenton lines up bigger titles

By SREKUMAR SEN, BOXING CORRESPONDENT

people said they wanted Richie. We think a lot of

Barrera, he's a great fighter -

after a few more lights, we'll

see what Richie's looking like.

We'll have to see how he looks

in his European title fight first.

Wenton had already tried

unsuccessfully once to lift the

European title, but, after

watching him outpoint Wilson

Docherty, of Glasgow, on

Tuesday at Basildon, Hearn

was confident that Wenton

would beat Vincenzo

Belcastro, of Italy, the Euro-

He's still learning."

Hearn said: "Barrera's pean champion, on this

OCCASIÓN.

O'Sullivan in right mood to retain Masters

By PHIL YATES.

RONNIE O'SULLIVAN continues his attempt to emulate Cliff Thorburn and Stephen Hendry by becoming only the third snooker player in the 21-year history of the Benson and Hedges Masters to make a successful defence of the title when he meets Darren Mor-gan in the quarter-finals at Wembley Conference Centre.

tonight. O Suffivan will be hoping to reproduce the spellbinding form that helped him to win four successive frames during a 6-5 second-round victory over Nigel Bond on Tuesday

evening in only 27 minutes. As he helplessly watched a 4-1 lead turn into a 5-4 deficit. Bond did not pot a single ball while O'Sullivan; who scored 392 unanswered points, effortlessly compiled breaks of 109, 56, 81 and 128.

O'Sullivan made the gam look so preposterously easy, potting difficult balls with only split-second sighting. avoiding the rest by compe-tently playing certain shots left-handed, and displaying pinpoint positional acturacy, that one could not belp but wonder why he has had such With the exception of his

triumph at the Liverpool Vic-toria charity challenge last mouth, which he achieved by showing a rare degree of restraint, O'Sullivan has suflosses and has slipped from third to seventh in the provisional world rankings.
O'Sullivan, who bas progressed past the last 32 in only

one of the first five ranking events of the 1995-96 cam-paign, admits that a lack of patience, particularly against little-known opponents, has been his downfall.

been his downfall.
"I can play safety with the
best of them, I just don't use
enough of it." O'Sulfivan. whose overly exvalier ap-proach was responsible for his first-round climmation from the Thailand Classic, Skoda Grand Prix and German Open, said.

Perhaps he has learnt his lesson because he insists that despite heating Morgan in their three previous meetings, he regards the dogged Welsh-man as one of the game's most underrated exponents.

"Darren might be methodical and certainly not one of the best players to watch, but he is always very hard to beat." O'Sullivan said. He speaks from experience hav-ing been forced to recover from 8-4 down to defeat Morgan 13-8 in the last 16 of the world championship last · year.

Hearn said: "Last time,

Richie went out to Italy - he had no choice. Now, Belcastro

is past his best and it's time

Richie did a proper job on him. He started up sharp last

time, but fell away badly. Get him in front of a Liverpool

crowd and he'll take the title."

bout with Docherty by seven

rounds to four, the champion-

was not given a moment's

respite by the Scot and the

bout was evenly poised up to

the sixth round.

Although Wenton won the

IHF holds inquiry . into bribe allegations

OFFICIALS of the International Hockey Federation (IHF) have announced that an inquiry will be held into allegations of bribery in the Olympic qualifying tournament in Barcelona last month. The decision, made after a meeting in Brussels yesterday. follows further information being supplied by the Canadian hockey authorities.

The Canadians alleged that Malaysia tried to bribe England before their match and also questioned the goalless draw between Malaysia and India which enabled the Malaysians to qualify. Both the England and Malaysia authorities have denied any knowledge of the allegations. Els van Breda Vriesman, the IHF secretary-general, said: No representative of the countries involved will have a presence on the disciplinary

An award of £626,000 to Southgate Sports and Leisure Trust by the National Lottery Sports Fund will enable ground in Enfield.

Foster's drive

Swimming: Mark Foster won a Fiat car after setting the fifthfastest 50 metre freestyle time at the World Cup meeting at Imperia in Italy yesterday. Foster, the Commonwealth champion, won the final in 21.70sec,0.02sec outside the world record held by Alexander Popov, the Olympic champion. Popov finished second behind Foster in 21.90sec. Sarah Collings, of the City of Bradford club, finished third in the 400m freestyle in 4min 15.40sec - three seconds in side her career best.

Sapsford shock

Cennis Ross Mathieson, of Scotland, beat Danny Sapsford the No I seed, 7-6, 6-1 on the opening day of the LTA men's satellite event at Bramball, Cheshire, Sapsford, ranked 270 places above his opponent, looked jaded after his journey from the Shanghai Open, where he was beaten by Jeff Tarango in the second round Manueson from Glas close opening set and, with the help of 11 aces, clinched victory in I hour 53 minutes. He now meets Scott Humphries, of the United States.

Happy Holmes

Athletics: Kelly Holmes won her first race of the year when she took the Army women's cross country title over a snowbound course at Longmöor, Hampshire, yesterday, in 17min 05sec.

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Allen triumph

Real tennis Karrina Allen, the former British Open champion, played some of the best tennis of her life and combined superbly with George Grundy, of Holyport, to win the British Land national mixed doubles championship at Hampton Court. The pair beat Penny Lumley, the former world champion, and Tom Kneen in the final.

Sprint surge

the overall lead.

Kick-off 7:30 unless stated

Ham v Norv

Cycling: Wilfried Nelissen, of Belgium, won a sprint finish to take the first stage of the Etoile de Besseges in Nimes, France yesterday. Jan Svorada, of Slovakia, seized

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OTHER SPORT

SNOOKER: Benson and Hedges Masters

international.

BY OUR SPORTS STAFF

HUDDERSFIELD Town reached the last 16 of the FA Cup for the first time in nearly a quarter of a century on Tuesday night, but, halfway through their fourth-round tie with Peterborough United,



Huddersfield respond to orders such a prospect seemed a long, have been four or five by the long way away. In the opening

Rangers keep Brazilian in sights

45 minutes, they failed to register even one shot on goal and Peterborough, of the Endsleigh Insurance League second division, were scenting if not a Cup upset, then at least a replay.

At which point, Brian Horton stepped in, Behind closed dressing-room doors, Horton,

the Huddersfield manager. read the riot act to his team at half-time, demanding 2 marked improvement in the second period. Suitably impressed. Huddersfield, of the first division, promptly stepped up a gear and goals Peterborough must now from Darren Bullock and Andy Booth ensured their place in the next round with a home tie to come against

Middlesbrough Wimbledon. "We got a real roasting from the gaffer at half-time and we deserved it," Bullock said. "He told us just what he thought of the performance and it did the trick because we went out after the break and showed what we can do. We had found it hard to break them down, but, once we got in front, we started to flow and it could

"I was very angry because we'd played like we trained on Monday — useless," Horton said. "Perhaps they thought it was going to be easy, but that just doesn't happen and Peterborough were better than us because they worked harder. I had a right moan, probably the worst I've had to since I

came here last summer." Bullock put Huddersfield ahead after 52 minutes with a 20-yard drive before Booth, with his thirteenth goal of the season, ended Peterborough's slim hopes of staging a

concentrate on a four-month fight to retain their second division status, and Mick Halsall, their manager, betrayed his concern at that prospect.

"We competed well enough. but it just showed that we have to strengthen the squad and, in particular, bring in another player up front," he said. "To be honest, we never really hurt them at any stage and now we've got to get our minds concentrated on climbing up the table."

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Customer-care policy paying dividends for royal course

Ascot rewarded with increased crowds

JOURNALIST OF THE YEAR

HE remarkable transformaion in the fortunes and public ppeal of Ascot was underned yesterday by crowd fig-res for 1995, which revealed n increase of more than 15 er cent - compared to an verage national rise of less han I per cent.

The attendance statistics are he clearest evidence yet of the mpact made on racegoers by he new "customer-care" poli-y, introduced by Douglas Erskine-Crum and Nick Cheyne since they took over the day-to-day responsibility for running the royal race-course in October 1994.

Without eroding the centuries-old tradition and championship quality racing at Ascot, the dynamic new team

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has set about removing the less red tape which was proving a turn-off for spectators. However, even they could not have hoped for such a swift

response. Total attendance in 1995 was 418,806, compared to 363,149 in 1994, which means Ascot attracted nearly 9 per cent of all spectators attending Brit-

ain's 59 racecourses. In 1994, Ascot had one less fixture and lost two days to weather. Even when attendance figures for the equivalent three days last year are removed from calculations, the increase is still 34,742 or 9.6 per cent — nearly ten times the overall national increase.

While the glorious weather, which blessed the four-day. royal meeting, contributed to an increased attendance of

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Ascot racecourse attracted a total attendance of 418,806 in 1995, an increase of more than 15 per cent on the previous year's figures

nearly 20,000, the sun alone has benefited from the impact the 8,172 rise (2) per cent) on

figures for most courses are still being collated by Weatherbys, Haydock's Flat crowds were down by 8.6 per cent, despite staging one extra fixture in 1995; Kempson was while York suffered a 6 per cent fall. Newmarket, which

would not have brought about made by Peter Player as chairman, saw numbers swell ne Friday. to 290,241 — an 11 per cent Although final attendance increase — from 32 days

racing compared to 31 in 1994. Erskine-Crum. Ascot's racecourse director, said yester-day: "We have put considerable emphasis in the last 12 months on developing customdown 2.6 per cent from the er relations, improving facili-same number of Flat cards ties and making the racecourse accessible and friendly. We have also worked hard to

maintain a programme of the highest quality across our 24

He added: "We have many new plans for the future, all geared to providing our racegoers with the best possible entertainment, enjoyment, comfort and value for money. Racing has to compete for its market with a growing number of other sports and entertainments, so strong marketing and promotion, as well as improved

customer-care, have to be a key part of any strategy."

After appearing not so long ago to be still residing in the era of the quill pen, Ascot now has a new computer system which takes care of everything from accounts and marketing data to the ordering, allocat-ing and printing of tickets and a discount is being made available for the first time on Royal Ascot grandstand tick-ets bought before Derby Day. Most of the infuriating "By

year's royal meeting, will see the longest and largest bar in any British racecourse built in the grandstand area. Racecourse of the Year

would have been unimaginable two years ago. Now it is only a question of when,

Order" signs, telling specta-tors what they must not do,

have been removed and the

members' enclosure restau-

rant has been refurbished. A £2 million project, which will be completed in time for this

Bargain hunters take early value in National market

VALUE-SEEKING readers of The Times were quick off the mark yesterday to take advantage of the generous ante-post prices being offered against Young Hustler, Rough Quest and Deep Bramble in the Martell Grand National.

Both William Hill and Ladbrokes reported plenty of money for Young Hustler, recommended by Robert Wright in his Racing Ahead column vesterday, and were forced to trim Nigel Twiston-Davies's chaser from 20-1 to 16-1

33-1 and Coral shortened Terry Casey's stayer to 25 L. The Barking firm also stood out with their offer of 25-1 against Deep Bramble, my long-range tip for the Amtree showpiece, and by the end of business yesterday Paul Nicholls's nine year old was 20-1.

Although there was support for Smith's Band, Monslew Le Cure, Party Politics, Earth Summit and Tartan Tyrant, the trio of horses recommended here yesterday were the only

Will the once a year puniers who have always had a bet on the National remain loyal, or are they hooked on the lottery?

Mike Dillon, of Ladbrokes, confirmed: "The lottery will have an effect on turnover because the Grand National has traditionally drawn much of its turnover from the once-a-year finiterer who is now gambling every week on

"To what degree it is difficult to say and it olumn yesterday, and were forced to trim entries to have their prices clipped.

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Diagram of final position

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White: Zsuzsa Polgar

Black: Xie Jun

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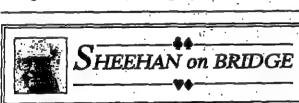
:Women's world championship

lot to make sure that happens and much depends on press coverage

With the first running of the Dubai World Cup being staged on March 27, some of the newspaper coverage normally devoted to the National in the run-up to the race looks sure to

be taken up by the \$4 million contest.

Coral's Rob Hartnett believes the lottery elped to reduce Grand National turnover by 10 per cent last year. "People always liked the



By Robert Sheehan, bridge correspondent Andrew Robson has reasonable claims to be considered the best

Andrew Robson has reasonable claims to be considered the best bridge player in the world above the height of 6ft 5in. He had better watch out, though — Wilt Chamberlain, the famed American basketball player of the Sixties, has recently taken up the game. He is 7ft lin and is known to be useful with his fists. Bob Hamman said: "He ain't very good yet, but who's going to tell him?" Chamberlain's riposte to the tedious "How's the weather up there?" that tall men receive is to spit on the questioner's head and say: "It's raining."

Robson played this hand well at the Macallan Pairs:

Robson played this hand well at the Macallan Pairs: Fast-West valuerable IMP's

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er's suit, it is often correct to

lead low from an honour

combination. Leading high can produce a blockage.

That would have happened on this hand if East had

played low on the queen of spades; in practice, he put in the king. In my view, that was correct - East should have

had bener spades to lead the

Lead: Queen of Spades

When you lead into the declarapparent that West had main-

Robson took the queen of spades with the ace, and continued with a low club to the ten. When East showed out

on the king of clubs, it was

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ly black cards, so Robson cashed his three diamond winners and the ace of hearts (West discarding a spade) and exited with ace and another club. After taking his two club tricks and the jack and ten of spades. West had to give South his ninth trick with the eight of spades. cashed his three diamond winners and the ace of hearts

Robert Sheehan writes on bridge Monday to Friday in Sport and in the Weekend section on Saturday.

WORD WATCHING

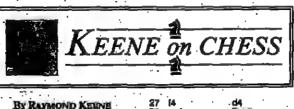
By Philip Howard.

ACRIDIAN a. An ancient Greek dialect Si. A silver-bearing quartz c. To do with locusts.

GHOST a. A Hindu greeting b. The mind c. An operatic understudy

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b. Company headquarters c. A salmon Answers on page 42



CHESS CORRESPONDENT

Polgar leads After a had start - she lost the

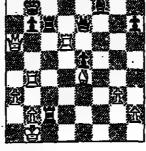
first game - Zsuzsa Polgar, the higher-rated favourite in the women's world championship, has assumed the lead with two easy wins, She leads by 3-2 in her challenge against Xie Jun, of China, the champion. In her first win, Polgar weathered an assault by the champion and finished by trapping her queen. In the second game, Xie Jun mishandled a variation popularised by the Kasparov - Short match of 1993 and was torn apart by White's pair of

bishops. White: Xie Jun Black: Zsuzsa Polgar Women's world championship

Fifth game, January 1996 Scotch Grune Fourth game, January 1996 Sicilian Defence extl4 Bc5 Cif6 ctxc6 Be6 Rd8 Bc4 b5 bxa4 Ctxc4 Kf8 Ne7 c5 d6 cxd4 Nf6 Nc6 e4 Nf3 Qb6 e6 Be7 0-0 Rd8 Qc7 Nd7 a6 b5 Nb6 10 c3 11 cc44 12 Cc2 13 Buz6+ 15 Cc2 15 Cc2 16 C-0 18 8h5+ 18 Bt3 20 Cus7 21 Cc5 22 Rich 23 Bg5 24 Rac1 25 Buc6 Oxe2 Black resigns 22 bx3 23 0bi 24 e5 25 8d3 ☐ Raymond Keene writes on chess Monday to Friday in Sport and in

By Raymond Keene

White to move. This position is from the game Riemersma -Piket, Dordrecht, 1985. When a position of opposite-coloured bishops exists (ie, one on light squares and one on dark squares), the attacking player often has a great attacking prayer other that a great advantage, as his bishop cannot be challenged. This is the case here. How did White capitalise? Solution, page 42



Ayr offers ray of hope for return of jumping

AYR on Saturday could come to the rescue of action-starved jump racing followers. Mark Kershaw, general manager at the Scottish course, issued an optimistic bulletin after receiving the weekend weather forecast yesterday. "We may be lucky," Kershaw said. "I have just walked the track and, although we couldn't have raced today, it has improved. The forecast is for tempera-

tures between zero and 4C." Catterick, also due to race on Saturday, is another course with more than a glimmer of hope. "We could not have raced today but tomorrow is expected to be a fine day," a spokeswoman said yesterday. "I should say it's about 50-50."

More immediately, today's meetings at Wincanton and Huntingdon were both called off yesterday morning, as was tomorrow's Bangor card.

Prospects for the Tote Gold Trophy fixture at Newbury tomorrow and Saturday remain bleak while Uttoxeter on Saturday has little chance of surviving. An inspection will be held at noon today. Whatever Utioxeter's fate.

the £100,000 bonus awarded for wins in the National Trial, the Midlands National and a place in the Martell Grand National, is still on. If Utioxeter is abandoned, the Eider Chase at Newcastle on February 17 will replace the trial as the first leg of the treble.

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be rescheduled if, as expected, Saturday's meeting at Newbury falls to the weather. It will be the tenth time in the race's 33-year history that it has been cancelled.

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3,20 TENOR (nep) 2.20 Sense Of Priority

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The Times Private Handicapper's top rating:

Our Newmarket Correspondent; 1,50 BURNT OFFERING (nap). 2.50 Green Gern, 3.50 Meldorf.

GUIDE TO OUR RACECARD

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GOING: STANDARD DRAW: 5F-1M, LOW NUMBERS BEST TOTE JACKPOT MEETING

1.50 BUDDLEIA MAIDEN STAKES (£3,485: 1m 44) (7 runners)

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2.50 JAPONICA HANDICAP (3-Y-0: £2,848: 71) (6 runners)

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3.20 PRIMROSE HANDICAP (£2,600: 51) (10 ruixhers)

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1995: T240R 4-9-5 Alex Gregory (14-1) D Michalle 18 mg

FORM FOCUS

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4.20 CLEMATIS HANDICAP (£3,501: 1m 2l) (6 runners)

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YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

Going standard

2.15 (ft) 1, KingDOM PRINCESS (L. Charnock, 11-2); 2, Mystone Mistake (lone Wands, 5-2 tavi; 3, Ballwick (M Fenton, 9-2) ALSO RAN: 4 Soolay Gill (4th), 9-2 Honestly (6th), 5 Dhes-C (5th) 6 ran, NR, Oriel Lad, 2:s-L, 2; 8-1, 31, 131 M Carnocho at Malton, Tote: £4.90; £2.60, £1.70, DF: £19.60, CSF; £18.16

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2.45 (Im 4f) 1.ROUFONTAINE (J Weaver, 6-5 lav), 2. Haya Ya Kefash (J Ourre, 15-2); 3. Seitneston (P McCabe, 20-1). ALSO RAN 4 Tarriyar. 7 Moonlight Air (8th), 10 Noc. The Biscust (4th), 14 Ambadestous (5th), Kelsko, 33 Mister 8 ran 4, 34, 71, 294, 151 W Mulr et Lambourn Tote, 22.00: E1.10, E1.90. E3.60 DF; 28.90 Teor 256.90. CSF C10.84

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3.15 (1m 4f) 1. MENTALASANYTHIN (Angela Golfimore, 6-1): 2. Beaumont (R Cochrane, 4-6 lov): 3. Beckview (T Williams, 33-1) ALSO RAN: 4 Toy Princese (5th., 12 Anselogue, 14 Cross Talk. (4th.). Hilizah (8th). 7 ran. Nft: Make A Note 8t, 25. 8t, 6t A Saley at Tarporley Tote: £5 20 £1 40. £1.70 DF: £5 00 CSF: £10.57 Tricast £118.67

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3.45 (1m) 1, SARASI (L. Chamock, 5-11; 2. Cucan Of All Birds (J. Weaver, 9-4 fav), 3, Manaber (N. Carliste, 16-1). ALSO RAN. 3 Normeyev Dancer (9th), 7 Eriton, Stinging Reply (8th), 8 Bardon Hill Boy (4th), 12 Everset 8 ran. NR: Ansal Boy, Little Ibrir 11, 114, 81, 141, 51, M. Camacho at Malton Tote £7.50; £1.10, £1 60, £4 40. DF £7 40 Trio £96.20 CSF, £16 93 Thosas £148,42

day by partnering Lucky Bust in the maiden hurdle.

the Hennessy Cognac Gold Cup at Leopardstown on Sun-

Norman Williamson returns at Clonmel today if the Irish course survives a 7am inspection. Williamson, who broke his leg at Sedgefield in October, hopes to prove his fitness for the ride on Master Oats in

4.15 (5) 1, BOFFY (Iona Wands, 10-11 lev), 2, Victoria Sloux (J. Cuhrn, 9-1), 3, General Equation (J. Edmunds, 16-1), ALSO RAN, 2 Born A Lady (6h), 12 Impington (4th), 20 Supreme Busson, 33 Shoot The Ministre (5th), 7 ran NR Manno Street, 4), 214, 544, 254, 254, B Baugh at Liftle Haywood, Tote: \$1.80: \$1.10, \$4.20 DF; \$5.80, CSF; \$9.51

DF CS 80. CSF: 19.51
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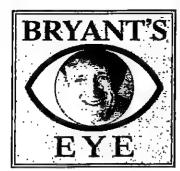
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1932 Olympic silver medal-winner looks back on pay day of memories

Flagbearer for golden age of sport

but to hitch a lift instead with one of those original chariots of fire. They are hard to find these days, but, at the weekend, one of the last living players from a vanished and golden age of British athletics transported a small group of sportsmen back through time

Jerry Cornes was a lean and elegant Oxford graduate of 22 when he stepped onto the Olympic rostrum 64 years ago in Los Angeles. He had just run the race of his life to carry off the silver medal in the 1,500 metres. Today, an Olympic performance like that could set him up with sponsorship, agents and rich rewards. However, as Cornes - 85 and still fit enough to hold a room spellbound remembers, sport and the world were very different in Los Angeles in 1932. A 12-day journey from Southamp-



ton, first by boat, the Empress of Britain, then by train, took the Great Britain team to a Los Angeles that was determined to put on a show cans feared that the Games would be a flop because it was so far to travel. but, to the visitors, the welcome seemed fabulous. They built an Olympic stadium to hold 104,000 which was so good that they used it for the next Games in Los Angeles, 52 years later. The track was the fastest that most had ever run on. There was the first purpose-built Olympic village; and, with a touch of Hollywood, there was even the first appearance of the "Olympic flame".

Olympic sportmanship, too, burnt with a brightness that might seem quaint to some of the competitors of today. In the 400 metres hurdles, for instance, Lord Burghley, of Britain, and Morgan Taylor, of the United States, were reckoned to be the best in the world. Taylor had been given the task of carrying the American flag at the opening parade — a tiring job in the Californian sunshine. So, in order not to gain an unfair advantage. Burghley carried the British flag at the same time. Both lost in the race to



Cornes warms up for the Olympics with a victory over Lovelock in the AAA championships in July 1932

To Cornes, who is Britain's last living individual track medal-winner 1932, it was all great fun. He was off to serve in the Colonial Service in Nigeria and, because he had won a place in the Britain team. he was allowed to travel there via

second in the 1.500 metres final to Luigi Beccali, the fast-kicking Italian, who ran 3min 51.2sec -- an Olympk record. Beccali covered the last 300 metres in around 41sec, a killing pace in those days. Cornes ran 3min 52.6sec — the fastest by a British athlete to that time. Jack Lovelock, his friend from New Zealand (who was

to win gold four years later), trailed in

Cornes had prepared himself for this performance on training that would be considered inadequate for a schoolboy athlete today. "I ran only twice a week through the summer, he said. "Absurd compared with

Nigeria, where his arrival coincided with the staging of an annual "round the wall" event, a cross-country race between two gates of the ancient city of Katsina. Comes ran, but was outkicked by a local - perhaps the first time, but certainly not the last, that a British champion was to be beaten by an unknown African.

In 1936, Cornes was back in the Olympic team and, in the 1.500 tres in Berlin, he sacrificed his own chances to set the pace for Lovelock, who won the gold in world record time. Cornes himself, in sixth place, ran a full second faster than in

That was virtually his last track race, but the old chariot of fire kept rolling. As late as 1949, he was turning out in the Southern Counties cross-country championship, trailing in 20 minutes behind the winner, to make up the team for Thames Hare and Hounds, his club.

In 1984, he returned to Los Angele

'He still reckons he might have won if he hadn't been watching the Finns'

to be reunited with Beccali. At the weekend, he turned out for his club again - to share his memories and to meet up with Wendy Sly, a fellow les Olympic silver medal-winner (the Zola Budd/Mary Slaney 3,000 metres in 1984).

Flickering newsreel footage transported him back to an August afternoon in 1932, and a simpler age an age when winning a medal brought you not a big pay day, but memories enough to enrich you for a lifetime. Shay-four years on, Cornes still runs the race in his head, and he still reckons that he might have won if he had not been so busy watching

The middle distances were the British events and, as the first string, it was up to me to win," he said. "At Oxford, we were keen to beat Cambridge, and then together in the Achilles Club we would try to take on the world." The film shows what Cornes has always believed, that he hung back too much in the middle of the race. "I was very disappointed not to win the gold," he said. "At the finish, I was hardly tired."

Justice back in the dock *

Kevin Callan was sentenced to life for murdering his partner's four-year-old daughter. She had suffered a brain haemorrhage and choked to death. He spent four years behind bars. Books that he obtained from the prison library opened his eyes to the nature of neuro-pathology in general and head injuries in particular. What duroe him to fight to prove his innocence was the knowledge that, at his trief that the prison of the prison his trial, the only medical evidence came from the prosecution. He appealed against his sentence. His conviction was quashed. Jenni Mills leads Kevin Callan back through an ordeal that is still festooned with a myriad of questions. They must be answered if others are going to be spared his fate.

Evening Concert. Classic FM. 8.00pm.

The London Mozart Players concert tonight includes a work that knocks on the head and kicks in the shins the belief that happy music can come only from happy composers. I am talking about Schubert's Octet in F major, a work britaming with optimism, and almost as cheerful as his Trout piano quinter. You would think that, when he wrote the octet, Schubert did not have a care in the world. The truth is whose the outer, Schubert dut halve the history depressed. "Each night, when I go to sleep," he wrote to a friend, "I hope I shall not wake again." Astimitedly, in the octet's finale, a couple of dark clouds obscure the sun's face ... but not for long.

Peter Davalle

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Smith sets out to join Gascoigne and Giggs Sarah Forde meets a teenager touted as

the ball with a deft touch and

Then the England women's football team takes the field against Portugal in Lisbon on Sunday, English eyes are likely to turn to one player -Kelly Smith, who is fast earning a reputation as the female Paul Gascoigne. Part of that comparison has been built on her considerable talents on the field, and nart on her unconventional attitude off it - she has a soft spot for junk food, although "not be-

the future of England women's football

had her nose pierced.

The excitement began at Roker Park last November when Smith, making her debut for England against Italy three days after her seven-teenth birthday, produced a moment of magic. In the



Smith: a precocious talent with an unerring eye for goal

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(b) Philosophical jargon, from the ghost in the machine, Gilbert Ryle's name for the mind viewed as separate from the body in Dilemmas and other works. Ryle, Concept of Mind, 1949: "The dogma of the Ghost in the machine maintains that there exist both bodies and minds that there are mechanical causes of corporeal movements and mental causes of corporeal

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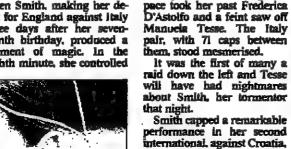
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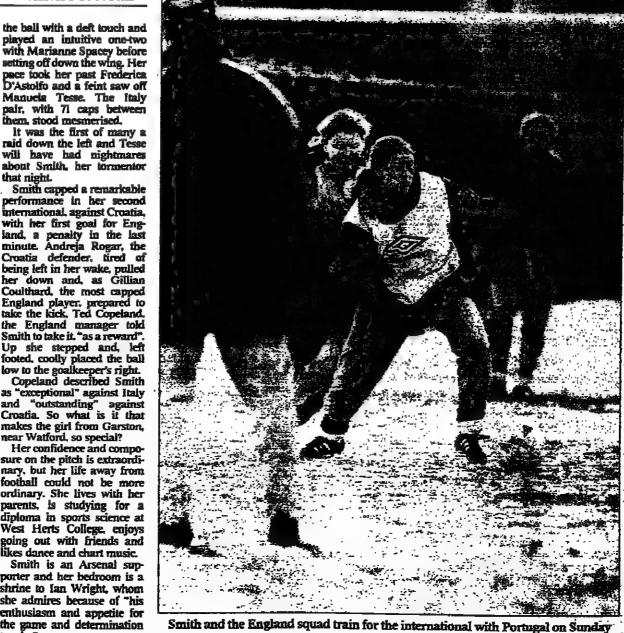
performance in her second international, against Croatia, with her first goal for England, a penalty in the last minute. Andreja Rogar, the Croatia defender, tired of being left in her wake, pulled her down and, as Gillian Coulthard, the most capped England player, prepared to take the kick, Ted Copeland. the England manager told Smith to take it. "as a reward". Up she stepped and, left footed, coolly placed the ball

low to the goalkeeper's right. Copeland described Smith as "exceptional" against Italy and "outstanding" against Croatia. So what is it that makes the girl from Garston, near Watford, so special?

Her confidence and composure on the pitch is extraordinary, but her life away from football could not be more ordinary. She lives with her parents, is studying for a diploma in sports science at West Herts College, enjoys going out with friends and likes dance and chart music. Smith is an Arsenal supporter and her bedroom is a shrine to Ian Wright, whom she admires because of "his enthusiasm and appetite for the game and determination

Glen. 14, her brother, plays for his local team but will always live in her shadow. "She's the natural, he has to work a lot harder," Bernard, her father, one of the three wise men who have nurtured her undoubted talent, said.

Norman Burns, the manager at Pinner Park, her first club, and John Jones, her manager at Wembley, make up the trio who have coveted their outstanding player thus far. Jones, passionately vocal about women's football, has played a steadying role in the development of the mild-man-



nered teenager. He is excited demeanour does not fully by her ability, but cautious of

her rapid ascent. "Every so often, someone comes along in a sport who has natural ability and, at a very early stage, you say, That's going to be an England player," he said. "You recognise them. With Kelly. we are encouraging and enhancing her strength, teaching her what the game is about so she can be a matchwinner for 90 minutes at the

Smith knows that she has

plenty to learn, but her meek

top level."

mask her self-belief. On comparisons with Gascoigne, she said: "I'm not as strong as him but I have the same skill. I'm more like Ryan Giggs, I like to run at players." An accurate self portrait, although some would say that she is a better crosser of the ball than Giggs was at 17.

Smith has no hesitation in naming her best goal, scored for Wembley Reserves against Arsenal Reserves, a goal that "did the Arsenal", who were previously unbeaten. Jones described the mo-

tion: "Kelly broke down the left, hit the ball from 30 yards out into the top corner. People pay loads of money to see that. It was a goal of the season - a classic. That made it 3-2 and the whistle went not long after."

Kelly Smith has always been a match winner. On Sunday, she will make her third appearance in an England shirt, against Portugal in Beneventi. She is an exciting talent with the potential to become great. Only time will

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Only a woman has the measure of a man

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wood men, acting up, Judging by appearances, which and for all by saying: "You see a "thouse a "t wood men, acting up, Whitehall men, ditto and Marina Warner on men among other hings. So the choice, in terms of starting points, is between filmic brivolity, dark tales from the Scott inquiry and Warner's intellectual analysis.

The least shall be first. Holly-wood Men (ITV) was the last in the series and concluded with a frightening caption which said: Coming soon, Hollywood Pets. I can hardly wait but will try.
This episode was called The

High Life but that only arose out of the need to give it a title. In reality (though that word is ill-chosen), sundry Hollywood men talked about anything that came into their heads. What kept me going was the list of subtitles. A man would appear on the screen and start to talk. A few seconds later his name would appear and under his

is the only way to judge this kind of programme, the names were pretty much interchangeable. The descriptions; though, were pure gents. They included: "Millionaire romance icon" and "Ex-drug deal-er to the stars" and "Writer's block therapist" and "Professional friend". I assume these job descriptions are designed to brighten the day of bored customs officers checking passports at LA International

S uch oddities only help to underline the point of Holly-wood, which is its risibility. its knack of being gloriously fatuous. After all, the films are not often much good, certainly they are rarely half as much fun as programmes such as this one.

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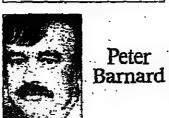
romance icon - there's an am-

man in a Jaguar convertible with a luscious blonde at his side. You think he must be somebody. The chances are he is some actor's feweller."
The difficulty with such non-

sense is that it creates a Hollywood so talse that when truly awful things happen they become just another anecdote. Robert Evans, the producer of The Godfather, stayed away from drugs for most of his career but then he was dragged in to a cocaine bust in New York because his name came up as one of the alleged customers for the drugs.

For Evans the result was humiliation and disgrace. So much so that when his son graduated from college, the boy could not even find a girl willing to be his date for the graduation ball. Hollywood, a mobile society fuelled by gasoline and talked to Sir Richard Scott and to

REVIEW



cocaine in equal measures, summons hypocrisy in even fuller measure to wreak ultimate re-

Peter

Meanwhile in Whitehall, drama of a very English kind unfolds. Next Thursday the Scott Report on arms to Iraq will be published but inquiry was structurally unsound but denied absolutely that there was an organised campaign against Scott. Not at all. There was, however, "a series of recurrent outbursts of anxiety", as perfect an example of Whitehall-speak as one might encounter outside Yes. Minister

Lord Howe has been put for ward as what Hollywood would surely call the professional friend of the Government vis a vis Scott, but this does not necessarily mean that Howe is wrong. But the public will surely make a judgment next Thursday on the content of the report, as expressed in dramatic headlines. And if the Government rejects the report, the public will judge that the Government is shooting the messenger.

This may be "unfair", in Lord Howe's word, but several people young men in a video arcade,

several of his detractors.

Lord Howe, the detractor-inchief, reterated his line that the

Scott (the man who, as Lord Justice Scott, had demonstrated his independence by rejecting the Thatcher Government's attempt to suppress Spycatcher). And it was Major who appears not to have told Scott how he should conduct the inquiry. As ye sew, so shall ye reap.

Perhaps the real problem, in Whitehall as in Hollywood, is all these damned men running things. Marina Warner said of men in a stimulating interview for The Big Idea (BBC2) that "their access to a range of opportunities in their lives was being narrowed by the constant emphasis that the only way to be a powerful figure was through the elimination of antagonists".

This is a thought she aired during the Reith Lectures last year and it was based on observing

conflict. Now Warner is starting to worry about a related, larger threat, which is the fear of intel-

She cites The Silence of the Lambs and Seven, the new film about a serial killer, in both of which the monster is a person of considerable intelligence. Of course, these are merely modern examples of the "mad scientist" and the link suggests that men are not much altered.

New man? Warner is sceptical, citing "poor levels of involvement in the family...the pressure on young men not to be seen to be domesticated or tame".

Interesting that of three pro-grammes under review, two factual and one a philosophical discourse, the last had moments when it was more enlightening about the underlying forces at work in Hollywood and Whitehall than either of the others.

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7.15 See Hear Breakfast News (Ceefax) (8499798) 7.30 Stingray (r) (Ceefax) (26446) 8.00 Blue Peter (r) (Ceefax) (s) (7887773) 8.25 Tales of the Tooth Fairles (4603408) 8.30 Puppydog Tales (1392682)

8.40 The Record (s) (8246791)
9.05 Daytime on Two: Seeing Through Science (s) (3245595) 9.30 Lemayress (9127999) 9.45 Over the Moon (s) (8672804) 10.00 Playdays (s) (5522576) 10.25 Storytime (s) (8572224) 10.45 Science Zone (s) (741759) 11.05 Space Ark (s) (3654595) 11.15 Healths 3 (s) (3394175) 11.35 Landmarks (Ceetad) (s) (8221798). N.L.: 11.35 Ulster in Focus 12.00 Christlantly (s) (6293885) 12.15pm Clementine (s) (6714798) 12.30 Working Lanch (91663) 1.00 Liteschool (s) (84767866) 1.25 Technology (s) (3761205) 1.40 Numbertime (s) (34415021) 8.40 The Record (s) (8246791)

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Derek Hatton, complex man (8.00pm)

8.00 services My Brilliant Career Derekt Hatton — a Very Different Men (Ceefax) (5) (1021)
8.20 Jeremy Clarkson's Motorworld visits

the United Arab Emirates. Last in the Traces of Guilt (Cueto) (n)

9.50 Potted Histories. Epiphytes. Last in series (Cestax) (s) (669663) 10.00 Game On. Sit-com (r) (Caetax) (a) Followed by Talking Cazanne (64021)

10.30 Newsnight (Ceefax) (699137) 11.15 Snooker — the Masters. The second quarter final (s) (563408) 11.55 Weather 12.00 The Midnight Hour (s) (51606) 12.30am-6.00 The Learning Zone

My Brilliant Career: Derek Hatton - A Very Different Man BBC2, 8.00pm

For a former stalwart of Militant, Derek Hatton has become a spectacular convert to the market economy. Or so it would seem when you learn that he runs a public retations company, has his own television show and commands £1,000 a night as an after-dinner speaker. Half an hour is hardly neverthe to the story of the enough to do justice to the story of the fireman's son who became a pillar of his church before finding a niche in Trotskytte politics. Even now the rights and wrongs of his stewardship of Liverpool Clty Council are hard to untangle. His motives may have here for the beautiful depart between the story. been fine, to bring decent housing to slum areas. But declaring war on Margaret Thatcher, and, for that matter, Neil Kinnock, was perhaps not the best way to proceed. He remains a complex and contradictory figure.

Seppleans Channel 4, 9,00pm

It is high season at Primrose Valley, the Haven company's holiday centre on the Yorkshire coast, and 3,000 people are waiting to be entertained. For the Havenmates, with their striped blazers and permanent smiles, it is going to be a test of endurance as well as the ability to hold an audience. Not all holidaymakers are guaranteed to behave themselves. The visiting cabaret star Torn O'Connor offers tips to the rookle entertainers. Not surprisingly, they want to know how to deal with hecklers. We meet a family from Valley who have been coming to Primrose Valley for nise years and whose nine-year-old offspring fancies himself as Freddle Mercury in the children's talent contest. This is a series of observation, rather than revelation, but it offers an honest insight into British popular culture.

Thief Takers: Whispers in the Dark ITV, 9.00pm

Not for the first time in this series, the guest star ourshines the regular cast. Richard Graham is one of those actors whose face is better known that his name and the face is unmistakable. Graham's speciality is villains. When the Armed Roberty Squad hits on a suspect for a security van job, and he is played by Graham, you know the police have got the right man. The question, therefore, is not whodunnit but whether he will get away with it. The parallel plot is a peep into the home life of detective Helen Ash (Lynda Steadman), who is trying to juggle a job which means lots of night work with the demands of a husband (Glyn Grimstead) and small children. The therme is no more original that the rest of the show, which is standard cops-and-robbers fare. even though it is delivered with pace.

Traces of Guilt: The Drug Desectives BBC2, 9.00pm

An Asian arrives at Heathrow airport with an apparently innocent suitcase. But forensic tests reveal that his clothes are impregnated with cocaine with a street value of £800,000. Science has triumphed again. In charring its role in the war against drugs, the film visits the United States Drug Enforcement Administration and highlights its role in unmasking what became known as the French connection. But science has not been used unly against dealers and pushers. In 1986 President Reagan launched a campaign for a "drug-free America", aimed at both the Armed Forces and the civilian workplace. The screening of staff, and job applicants, has become commonplate and the practice has spread to Britain. But Bryan Finkle, a forensic toxicologist, is worried about the invasion of privacy. Peter Waymark

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6.00am GMTV (2555040) 9.25 Win, Lose or Draw Quiz (s) (3243137) 9.55 Regional News (Teletext) (5532953) 10.00 The Time . . . the Place (s) (1783972)

10.35 This Morning (15641779) 12.20pm Regional News (Teletext) (6044311) 12.30 News and weather (Teletext) (3395446) 12.55 Shortland Street (s) (8023088)

1.20 Coronation Street (r) (Teletext) (84763040) 1,50 Home and Away (Teletext) (58930361) 2.20 Chain Letters (Teletext) (s) (57920682) 2.50 Vanessa (Teletent) (s) (3732224) 3.20 News headlines (Teletext) (2062243)

3.25 Regional News (Teletext) (2061514) 3.25 Regional Review (1451088) 3.40 Wizadora (1) (s) (3469798) 3.50 Rupert (7912798) 4.20 Miles and Angelo (s) (6902779) 4.45 Reboot II (Teletext) (s) (4169296)

5.10 A Country Practice (s) (8486682) 5.40 News and weather (Teletext) (891569) 8.00 Home and Away. Steven refuses to believe Dodge is dead (r) (Teletext) (173682)

6.25 HTV News (Teletext) (772666) 7.00 Symmerciale, Emotions rum high when Frank finally confronts Kim and Dave (Teletext) (s) (9427)

7.30 Survival: The Death and Life of Lake Hule. The marshes in Israel are a haven for apactacular wildlife (Teletaxt) (s) (595) 8,00 The Bill: Cold Light of Day. A brutal assault on a benager is unsolved, then a reconstruction brings forward an unexpected witness (Telefext) (8175)

8.30 Bittee and Twos: Hotel 900. The local police-helicopter unit in Sussex is called in to airlift an injured motorcyclist from the scene of a Bank Holiday road accident (Teletend) (a) (7682)



Steadmen and Grimstead (9,00pm)

9.00 Thief Takers: Whispers in the Dark with Resca Dinsciale, Glyn Grimstead and Lynda Steadman (Teletaxi) (a) (5791) 10.00 News at Ten, weather (Teletext) (91175)

10.30 Regional News (Teletext) (807779) 10.40 FILM: The Face of Feer (1990), starring Pam Dawtoer, Lee Hosley and Kevin Conroy. A mountain climber uses his psychic powers to help police to track down a serial killer. Directed by Farhad Mann (Teletext) (a) (42500601)

12.30 Not Fade Away (s) (82248) 1.30 Shift (61101) 2.30 The Crime Hour (r) (8943373)

5.30 Morning News (89489)

3.25 Marquee Anniversary: Alexis Korner and Friends. A tribute to one of Europe's premier rock vanures (r) (s) (4890118) 4.20 The Time . . . the Place (r) (s) (1779064) 5.00 The New Mr & Mrs Show (r) (54880)

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2.50-3.20 High Road (3732224) 5.10-5.40 Shortland Street (8486882) 5.25-7.00 Central News and Weather

10.40 Film: Kojak — None Sc Blind (1989) sterring Telly Sevales, Andre Braugher and Rip Tom, The New York policemen investigates the execution-style shooting of an accountant working for a department store's building contractors (42500601)

12.30am Live from the Lilydrome. Among the guests are Carter USM, Hue and Cry, Mud and the corrections Simon Bilgh and John Maloney (1975170) 2.26 SHIT (2944422)

3.20 The Crime Hour (4891847) 4.15 Jobfinder (3522915) 5.20 Asian Eye (1289354)

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2.20 Vanessa (57920582) 2.50-3.20 Child's Eye. Fred Dinanage joins other topics, their grandparents (3732224) young children who talk about, among

5.10 Home and Away (8486682) 6,00 Meridian Tonight (359)

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12.30pm Sesame Street(23801) 1.30 Hullaballoo (r) (s). Followed by Chigley (r) (18330)

2,00 Fentesy on London(38375330) 2.15 FiLM: In Old Chicago (1938, b/w) starring Tyrone Power, Don Ameche and Alice Feye. Historical drama about the adventures of members of the O'Leary family in Chicago. Directed by Henry King (Teletext) (541750)

4.00 Backdate (Teletext) (s) (224) 4.30 Countdown (Teletext) (s) (408) 5.00 Rickl Lake (Teletext) (s) (8415359) 5.45 Terrytoons (348445)

6.00 Home Improvement. American comady series about the host of a DIY television show (Teletext) (s) (601) 6.30 Moviewatch (a) (r) (953)

7.00 Channel 4 News (Teletaxt) (174595) 7.50 The Slot. A viewer's opinion (960750) 6.00 The Pulse. Shehnaz Pakravan surts the

Internet in search of advice on ways to commit suicide (Teletext) (s) (6717) 8.30 A Teste of the Caribbeen, in the last of a abi-part series, Dorinda Hattner visits Jamaica (s) (5224)

9.00 Secolders (Teletext) (s) (8934)



Dominic Taylor as Deshwood (9.30pm)

9,30 Annie's Bar. New MP Dashwood prepares for his first eppearance on television (Teletext) (83345)

10.00 NYPD Blue: One Big Happy Family. A suspected serial rapist tries to murder pest victims who might be able to identify him (Teletext) (s) (653175)

10.55 Whose Line is it Anyway? (r) (Teletext)

11.30 Devil's Advocate. Discussion on whether Chinese residents in Hong Kong should be allowed to buy British citizenship, to fund the repatrialion of British Afro-Caribbeans (467665)

12.15am Dispatches (r) (Teletaxt) (4649248) 1.00 Champions: Fit to Ride. A behind-thescenes report on the rides and falls of a top jockey (r) (Taletext) (s) (40642) 2,00 FiLM: The Undying Monster (1943. b/w). Heather Angel and John Howard await their fate at the hands of the aponymous "undying monster"

(7231460). Ends at 3.05

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4.00pm Love Me Tender (1966) 718-10458; 5.45 Stephent Walk (1954)

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SKY SPORTS

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SKY SPORTS 2 7.00mm The Rugby Club (8988601) 8.00 Golf USA (278982) 11.00 The Rugby Club (3194408) 12.00-1.00pm American Sports Cavalcade (9428198) THE CHRISTIAN CHANNEL 4.00em Living World 5.00 Kenneth Cope-land 5.30 Kidz TV 5.45 General Christian

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SKY TRAVEL 11.00am Globatrotter (2242868) :11.30 floeds to Freedom (2293585) 12.00 Dis-cover Your World (9706595) 12.30pen frugal Gountest Cooks Italian (8479955) 1.00 Around the World (3117359) 1.30 Sty Travel Guide (9829476) 2.00 Sal Special (8949099) 3.00 Getterwy (685972) 3.30-4.00 Kids Down Under (1424088) THE HISTORY CHANNEL

4.00pm The Great Days of Our Century (2218448) 5.00 Memories of 1979 (8856224) 6.00-7.00 H.G. Wells (7829238)

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7.00mm Angels (239507) 7.30 Neighbours (7180804) 8.00 Sons and Deughters (199288) 8.30 EssEnders (1991137) 9.00 BBI (1915717) 9.50 The Sultivers (4983427) 10.00 AU Creatures (1780888) 11.00 Juliet Brasio (1885412) 12.00 Sons and Daughters (1995953) 12.30pm Neighbours (4387243) 1.00 EastEnders (3780048) 1.30 The Bit (4388514) 2.00 The

4.1611. 31 The Titfield Thunderbolt steams into action (Bravo, 4.00pm)

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SATELLITE

4.00pm Bush Tucker Man (1783953) 4.30 Charlie Snevo (1789137) 5.00 Classic Wheels (1750953) 8.00 Terra X (1793330) 6.30 Beyond 2000 (3212779) 7.30 Strange Powers (1780866) 8.00 The Protessionals (6316137) 9.00 Top Marques (5562175) 2.30 Science (458221) 10.00 Classic Wheels (6339088) 11.00-12.00 The Falklands War (2130309) BRAYO

12.00 FiLM Woman in the Window (8363872) 2.00pm Danger Man (8351137) 3.00 The Buccanears (1763427) 3.30 William Tet (179197) 4.00 FiLM The (176407) 1.00 Film The (176407) 4.00 Film The (176407) 1.00 Death Valley Days (1790243) 8.00 Death at 21 (1787156) 8.30 Department 5 (8208205) 7.30 The Green Hornet (177792) 8.00 Space 1999 (6303693) 9.00 Twan Peals (49482205) 10.50-12.00 Fear, Fright and Frenzy (82454330)

PARAMOUNT

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THURSDAY FEBRUARY 8 1996

England may need replacement

Smith injured in World Cup warm-up match

ROBIN SMITH, the most prolific limited-overs run-scorer in the England World Cup competition after damaging a groin muscle during his team's first formal practice match, in Lahore yesterday. Smith sustained the injury while holding a brilliant catch view of the enterprising and mature way that he led that in the closing stages of England's 62-run victory over a Lahore City XI at Aitcheson side, his stock may now be

Groin strains are notoriously difficult to assess, and there was uncertainty yesterday as to how long Smith might be incapacitated. "We should know more in a day or two," Raymond Illingworth, the England manager, said, "but. if the muscle has really gone. then it's a three-week job and Robin would be out of the

Smith was ordered to rest in his hotel room last night while having ice-pack treatment. "I feel very depressed at the moment: I'm very, very low," he said. "I've been told I should be reasonably patient because, at best, it's going to take a short while. That's just devastating for me."

Even if Smith makes a quick

recovery, the chance of him playing in England's opening group match, against New Zealand in Ahmedabad next Wednesday, appears small. A serious pull would almost certainly lead to him being replaced, probably either by Mark Ramprakash or Nasser

Ramprakash is one of two players — the other is Angus

Fraser, a bowler — on standby for the tournament. On the England tour of South Africa, he again failed to fulfil his promise, although he looked less vulnerable in the one-day matches. Hussain is also match-ready, having been a member of the recent England A tour of Pakistan. Indeed, in

higher than Ramprakash's. The England party was uncertain yesterday about the replacements for injured players, but it is thought that. as long as the request is a

seem to be the case in this instance — the organisers would have no objection.
Smith, who is regarded as

one of England's weaker fielders, was perhaps guilty of trying too hard yesterday. To complete his catch, he sprinted 20 yards and then dived full length at deep mid-wicket to grasp a skyer hoisted by Manzoor Elahi, the former Pakistan Test player.

. "I felt it as I dived and that's when I must have pulled the muscle," Smith said. "At this stage, it feels very stiff and very sore. Hopefully, there very sore. Hopefully, mere will be a quick improvement, but, at the moment, it doesn't feel any easier than when I did

World Cup, it would be a doubly cruel blow because he missed the climax of the 1992 This World Cup is going to be my last one and it means everything to me," he said.

from the management during the tour of South Africa, I felt I was quite lucky to be here. "I wanted to prove people wrong and show everyone I was still good enough to play and do a very good job. For this to happen at an early stage is a major blow. It is a five-week tournament, but I

"From the vibes I was getting

need to keep playing and practising as much as possible to find my form and keep in Despite Smith's excellent was not assured of a place in England's strongest one-day team. Earlier in the day, he had done nothing to change that view by getting out to his first ball. He was caught off an

Asad, a teenage fast bowler. Smith featured in a typical England middle-order col-lapse; four wickets fell for 19 runs to leave them 86 for five. It started with Hick's dismissal for 38, Thorpe was also out for nought and Fairbrother scored only five. Earlier, Atherton, the England captain, was also out for five.

The damage was repaired Stewart, who scored 65, and Russell, 60, in a partner-ship of 72, and Craig White later hit out effectively with 37 off 38 balls to take England to 247 for eight in their 50 overs. England had little difficulty

claimed two early wickets and team slumped to 63 for six. Elahi and Mohammad Hussain added 90 in rapid fashion before Smith intervened with his costiv catch to give White a fourth wicket. It set the seal on the match and

defending such a total. Cork

possibly on Smith's World

UEFA and Europe's leading

football clubs yesterday agreed to allow the Conti-

nent's eight leading nations an

automatic second entry into

an expanded European Cup

but ruled out any move to-

wards a super league.
The unprecedented meeting

between the European govern-ing body and clubs, including

Arsenal, Manchester United

Bayern Munich, AC Milan

and Real Madrid, accepted

that, from next season, the

European Cup should be ex-

The European governing

body, which has been under

pressure to extend internation-

al competition among leading

clubs, will work out details of

the plan, in which countries

such as England, Italy, Germany and Spain would

have a second club in the

annual tournament. If a club

in one of these countries also

held the trophy, then the

nation would have three en-

tries for the next season.

panded to 32 clubs.



Smith crumpled in agony after damaging a muscle in his groin when diving to take a catch during England's warm-up match in Lahore

Australia will not compensate Sri Lanka

GRAHAM HALBISH, the chief executive of the Austra-lian Cricket Board, said yes-terday that the World Cup organisers would not receive a cent should they seek compensation from Australia for refusing to play a match in Sri Lanka because of fears for

ing" reports that the Sri Lankan board was looking at the financial obligations of defaulting teams. Sri Lanka are scheduled to play Australia in and Sri Lankan newspapers Colombo on February 17. The for their decision. West Indies, who have also sought a change of venue after the recent car bomb killed 80 people in the capital, are due to play their qualifying pool

the 32 teams in the European

Cup would play each other in a preliminary knock-out competition each season to

determine the 16 who would

take part in the Champions'

League. The 16 losers

would go into the Uefa

Cup.
The holders of the trophy

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best-ranked nations would be

entered in the original 32

entries, along with eight more from selected countries grant-

ed a second entry.

Frits Ahlstrom, the Uefa.
media director, said that the

formula to decide which clubs

should take part had yet to be

finalised. However, it would

probably be based on their

European record over the

previous ten years and possi-

Halbish said that he be-

lieved that the cancellation losses may be covered by insurance. "We would not entertain in any way any approach by either Sri Lanka or Pilcom [the organising committeel on that matter," he

Bob Simpson, the Australia who are preparing for the tournament in Brisbane, had not been distracted by accusations of cowardice in English

A meeting will be held in Calcutta on Saturday between Pilcom, the International Cricket Council (ICC) and representatives of the four

Franz Beckenbauer, who

was representing Bayern Mu-nich, said: "I would like to

make the Champions' League

more attractive with more of

the big traditional clubs having more possibilities to join in." However, he added that

they should finish no lower

than fifth in their domestic

league and his view was

supported by other delegates.
Ahlstrom said: There

seemed to be no general

backing for a super league and

even the big clubs recognised that European competition

should run alongside domes-

Maurice Watkins, a director

and legal adviser of

Manchester United, said that

the idea of a super league was something that we skirted round. Thoughts about that have been speculative.

Ucfa's detailed plan will

probably be finalised at its

executive commutate meeting

Top clubs reject Super League

play matches in Sri Lanka to: attempt to resolve the dispute over venues. The meeting will be chaired by Sir Clyde Walcott, the ICC chairman, but it may be no more than an informal discussion and there was no sign yesterday of any of the parties softening their

Kenya and Zimbabwe have fixtures on the island, although Peter Chingoka, the president of the Zimbabwe Cricket Union, said yesterday that his country will not make a final decision until after the

World Cup is the next day. yesterday.

David Shepherd, the Eng. I've now ver land representative on the Sri Lanks.

further turn yesterday when

the European Commission in Brussels said that players

from countries outside the

European Union (EU), such as

Poland, Hungary, Turkey and Bulgaria, may have to be

treated "identically to EU

Barbara Nolan, the com-

mission's spokeswoman, said:

We do not yet have a defini-

tive legal view, but it appears

that players from these coun-

tries may have a case for

inclusion in the scope of the ruling. It may take

a new court decision to be

In December, the Europe

Court of Justice ruled that it

was illegal to restrict the number of EU nationals play-

ing in club teams. However

association agreements signed between the EU and countries

such as Morocco or Poland

frequently include a non-dis-

crimination dause covering

their citizens working legally

citizens.

of umpires for the competi-tion, modelled a new-look black coat at a wintry Lord's yesterday before flying out to join the festivities in Calcutta. Black was chosen as the best neutral colour for day-night

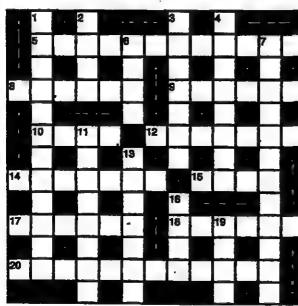
Steve Dunne, the New Zealand impire, meanwhile was considering withdrawing in Sri Lanka in which he is due and the West Indies withdrew, I was prepared to take the advice of the organisers, but clearly these are serious secmeeting on Saturday. The urity concerns and I've had opening ceremony of the second thoughts," he said yesterday. Thave to say that I'm now very reluctant to go to



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Shepherd: models the new look

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- dead (hero) (6) 18 Hole (eg in tooth) (6)
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- 2 Swamp, bog (4)
- edly (4-3)
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- 13 Not famous, not recognised

19 Small (medicine) bottle (4)

RFU calls time on wasted minutes OVER the years, since southern-hemisphere referees have been officiating in rugby union's five nations' champion ship, speciators have become accustomed to an upraised hand after a prolonged stoppage in play. The gesture, meaning-less in Great Britain, has become an automatic signal to the match timekeeper

that the clock should resume. As from this Saturday - assuming that the weather does not cause further fixture chaos - the same practice will begin in first-division matches in England. The Rugby Football Union (RFU) is to experiment with independent timekeepers for the remainder of this season in the belief that it will increase playing time and therefore offer greater value for

money to the crowd. Rugby's laws state that the referee shall where the timekeeper - an off-duty RFU

David Hands reports on a stopwatch experiment to

give spectators more value

keep the time, but, in the southern hemisphere, it was realised long ago that it is one duty of which the match official could reasonably be relieved. Part of the climax at important dub or representa-

tive occasions in, for example, Australia is the crowd counting down the seconds on a ground where the clock is visible. Each first-division club in the Courage Clubs Championship has been sent a kiaxon and stop watch and asked to provide a location at the side of the pitch

of injury stoppages, starting the clock to coincide with the recommencement of

He will also take account of good kicks

that take more than than 40 seconds, though that is covered in the laws At the same time, the timekeeper will

have a second watch, that will keep "running time" — that is, the actual time from the start of each half to full time so that the results of the experiment can be more accurately analysed.

The first match where the timekeeper can operate will be at Sudbury on Saturday, where Wasps play Sale in the only scheduled first-division encounter.

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Life mimics art in town of Cézanne's birth

FROM BEN MACINTYRE IN AIX-EN PROVENCE

"HE IS not in," announced the aged caretaker who answered the door of Cezanne's atelier, the studio high above Aix-en-Provence where some of the artist's greatest paintings were produced.

For a long moment it was unclear, whether "he" referred to the painter, who died in 1906, or to the muse um curator. Perhaps she did not know herself, for the Aixois have a slightly unsettling habit of referring to Cézanne in the present tense.

The exhibition of Paul Cézame's works opening at the Tate Gallery today is the most comprehensive assemb-led, confirming Matisse's asent of the painter as the father of modern art.

A restless and troubled man, Cézanne was often on the move, artistically and eographically, but it is in Air, and among the vivid colours and contours of the surrounding countryside, that his art still lives. Cézanne is embedded in

the streets of Aix in the form of a trail of brass plaques nailed to the pavement every six feet, leading tourists from the artist's birthplace to his school and the house where

The most evocative of these sights is the Atelier de Lauves, built in 1901. Its curator - who turned out to be a young enthusiastic North African, far removed

s peace in Bosnia is trum-

power, a young mother shelter-

really important issue is tonight:

how to keep her shivering and

vulnerable toddler safe from

disease and infection in appal-

ling conditions and biting cold.

edge of life since October,

when she was forced to flee

her home in Velika Kladusa

- with only five minutes to

pack a carrier bag - and huddle

with 22,000 other people along

in Bosnia and Croatia who have

received baby boxes full of

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they are surviving: clean nap-

pies and baby cream to soothe

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She has been living on the



Cézanne's Still Life with Onions hangs in Paris

from the reclusive, irascible Cézanne — opened the door to a scene, heavy with the scent of drying berbs, which is itself a still life an arranged profusion of easels and brushes, letters and canvases, books and halffinished sketches. Here you find a fragment of the carpet used as background for a Cezanne still life, a visiting card, a tie stuffed in a drawer.

Designed by Cézanne to catch the maximum amount of light, one wall of the atelier is almost entirely window, next to a narrow trapdoor, 20ft high, which enabled the artist to slide his largest canvases out of the building. The workshop looks down over Aix and towards the Arc river, where Cézamie swam with his childhood friend, Emile Zola, and which be

Disinfectant, nappies, washing materials

- not the first things to spring to mind

when you think about sending someone

a gift. But for mothers in Bosnia

who have almost nothing left with which

to care for their children, these basic

essentials mean the world. And they can be found in each baby box sent

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came the setting for Les Grandes Baigneuses. To the north rises the silhouette of the great Mont Sainte-Victoire, the subject of so many of Cezanne's works, talready changing shape and shade in the morning mist. If Aix provides one view of

Cézanne - the classically educated son of a well-to-do family — then the "Sights of Cezanne" tour of the surrounding area, laid on by the local tourist authority, telis a complementary story of an artist indebted to the speciacular qualities of his native land. I spend every day in this landscape, with its beautiful shapes. Indeed, I cannot imagine a more pleasant way or place to pass my time." Cezanne wrote to his son in

as de Bouffan, the manor

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Cézanne's house in Aix-en-Provence with its atelier where he painted many of his works

ouse on the outskirts of Aix bought by his father in 1859, was often painted by Cézanne while providing the privacy he craved. The building has been bought by the local authority and will eventually become a museum, Nearby is vast, imposing Château

Noir, which Cezanne tried without success to buy.
With a cinema, hotel, restaurant and garage all named after him in Aix, one might get the impression that the artist has himself long been a part of the local landscape but, while the in-

habitants of Aix may now talk about him with familiarity and pride, the relationship between Ceranne and his home town was ambivalent, to say the least.

The drama of the countryside and its changing hues were stimulating, but the weather was dreadful, he insisted alternating between extremes of warmth and cold. The townsfolk were much the same. Many in Aix considered Cézanne pere, a milliner turned banker, to be a parvenu. Zola was wrong when he dubbed Cézanne a failure after their relationship soured, but he was not alo in that view. The head of the Grandet Museum, where Cezanne first studied art, flatly refused to hang any of his paintings and it was not until 1921, when both were dead, that the museum acquired its first Cézanne.

Zola pever realised his mistake, but Aix did. Hence, perhaps, the homage to its most celebrated son.

The huge British interest in Provence is sure to redouble in the wake of the Tate exhibition. The artist would have been surprised and flattered by that, but still more astonished to find that Aix-en-Provence, a place which both inspired and rejected him, has now become toujours Cézanne.

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things in a baby box. It was

that personal involvement

which really appealed to me."

In many areas of Bosnia,

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shooting has stopped. But the

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Does peace in

Bosnia make

a difference?

German TV in uproar over fake news films

FROM ROGER BOYES IN BONN

GERMAN television, once regarded as the most staid and narcoleptic in Europe, is in

The country's most advenurous maker of documentaries has been exposed as a fraud: twenty-two of scoops were staged with the help of disguised neighbours and friends. Talk show hosts, desperate for new faces, have been falling for confidence tricksters. And another filmmaker has been accused of fabricating drunken scenes among students at a language school in Eastbourne.

Private television channels are engaged in a fierce ratings war with the public channels and have discovered that there is a big audience for snappy news features. Since Germany has not had much snappy news over the past 50 years, there is considerable pressure on television journalists.

Enter Michael Born. The hearded 37-year-old journalist, now under arrest, suddenly emerged as a key supplier of sensational footage to private film companies such as Stern-TV. The company, associated with Stem magazine, supplies private channels like SAT I and VOX.

Born was the first to expose the activities of the Ku Klux Klan in Germany, his camera secretly hidden in closed Klan sessions. But the klansmen were in fact friends of the producer dressed in sheets. Another expose: German hunters slaughtering innocent cats. But the cats killed in grishy close-up were from an animal refuge and had been shot by another of Born's friends.

The trick was repeated in many variations. Sad, exploited child labourers making carpets for the Ikea furniture chain turned out to have been hired by the producer. Drug smugglers, filmed crossing the German-Swiss frontier, turn-

ed out yet again to be friendly actors. Born, a plump almost Rabelaisian figure, has been a freelance filmmaker for more than six years. "We have known him for a long time." Günter Jauch, the Stern-TV chief, said. "He has given us several pieces which were perfectly all right and he was well regarded by big, highly respected networks. That is

why we trusted him." The fraud came to light when the police started to investigate some of the claims made in the films, with a view to capturing the klansmen and drug traffickers.

Born admits most of the frauds and his lawyer puts the blame squarely on the new German television culture. There is an unbearable pressure to dramatise television reports," he said.

The problems are not confined to Born. Another documentary-maker for Stern-TV filmed students at an Eastbourne language school apparently enjoying wild parties. The introduction should have made the controllers suspicious: "Smoking pot, dancing, huge quantities of alcohol and sex. Those are the kinds of xcesses that are attracting kids to Eastbourne."

The organiser of the lanwage tours, Jürgen Matthes, is taking legal action against the television company, claiming that the students were in fact English and Norwegian, not German.

The most controversial segment of the film was shot in a discothèque unconnected with the school. The criticism, however, is disputed by Herr Jauch and a court ruling is expected next week.

Herr Jauch says: "Despite all the controls, it will always be the case that people try to cheat each other, even in journalism. There is no such thing as 100 per cent security in this matter.

Bonn opposition puts monetary union in firing line

GERMANY'S opposition Social Democrats took the first step yesterday towards making an important election issue out of European monetary union by challenging Helmut Kohl, the Chancellor, to revise the Maastricht treaty and include a new chapter on job creation.

Regional elections are to be held in three federal states next month and they will be the first test of the political volatility of the single-currency issue. The Social Democrat leadership has censored some posters on EMU, but the Raden-Württemberg party has approved a poster saying: "Stability and jobs have priori-

ty. So - postpone EMU!" Heidemarie Wieczorek-Zeul, the party's Shadow Min-ister for Europe, attacked the Chancellor yesterday for what she called unforgivable inactivity. She made clear that introducing an employment chapter was the main goal of the opposition, that the party wanted a delay in introducing a single currency — and favoured a resolutely federal and "social" Europe. Many



Lafontaine: tone changing under new party leader

observers feared the Social Democrats, who had an-nounced their intention to make EMU the key election issue in 1998, were appealing to the worries of Germans about losing the mark.

But under Oskar Lafontaine, the party's new leader, and Frau Wieczorek-Zeul the tone has changed. The party supports the Government's insistence on meeting the strict criteria for EMU entry. But it also insists on a comprehensive job-creation scheme.



Children in Bosnia and Croatia have suffered enough. You can belp them recover.

From me to you and your child

Inside each box, packed by volunteers at Feed the Children's aid supply centre in Reading, is a message from the person who made it possible. For the exhausted, often traumatised woman who receives it, it is a potent sign that somehere, somebody is thinking of her, and her efforts to protect her child.

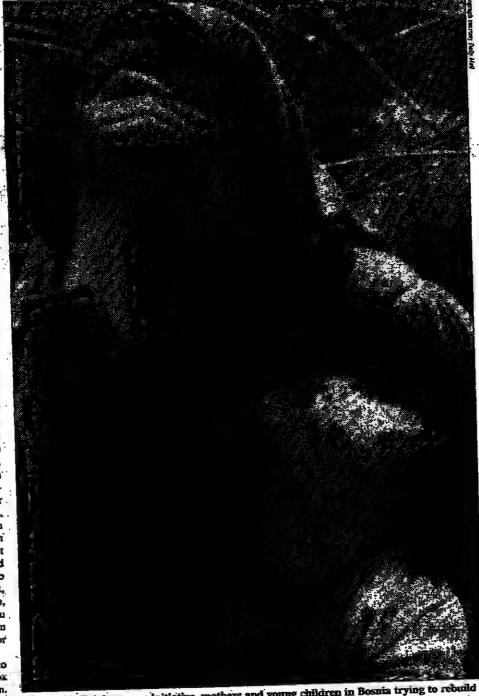
"It's like a voice breaking through the isolation and hope-

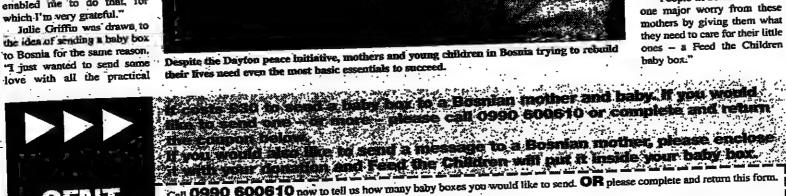
charity Feed the Children. lessness surrounding these mothers and children, saying we know how hard it is for ing in a tractor cabin in north- you, we care what happens to west Bosnia knows what the 'you,'" explains Gaynor Jones, Volunteer Co-ordinator at Feed the Children, "They take it very personally."

> "I wanted to send some love with all the practical things in a baby box."

So do the individuals who five kilometres of road in take up Feed the Children's invitation to send a message She is one of 14,000 mothers along with their £30 donation. "Seeing those mothers in Bosnia on the television, clingthe basic essentials they need to ing to their children for dear life in appalling conditions. the filthy conditions in which I wanted to do more than send a donation," says Kartn Weatherup, who has sent burning nappy rash, soap to a baby box. "I wanted to send wash urine-soaked babygros a message, I wanted to say to and dirty nappies, antiseptic for the mother opening the box, 'You're doing an amazing job, and my family think about you every night'. Feed the Children enabled me to do that, for

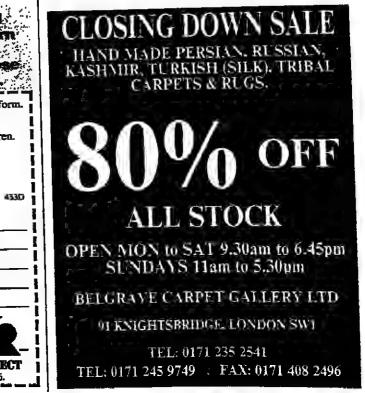
which I'm very grateful." Julie Griffin was drawn to the idea of sending a baby box to Bosnia for the same reason, "I just wanted to send some





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Mystery Boeing crash off Dominican Republic leaves Germany in mourning

189 killed as tourist jet plunges into Caribbean

ALD CORRESPONDENT

INVESTIGATORS were last night working on the theory that a crashed Boeing 757 airliner suffered an electrical or engine failure before plunging into the Caribbean, killing the 189 people on board,

After the Turkish-owned jet took off from the Dominican Republic, it climbed through 7.000ft and accelerated to 275mph before appearing to go into a sharp turn and head back towards land. It plunged into the sea 13 miles offshore, breaking up on impact

There was no mayday call from the pilots, possibly because at the time of the crash they would have been changing radio frequencies from the local airport at Puerto Plata to the main air traffic control centre at San

The five British airlines, which together operate a total of 89 Boeing 757 twinjets, were last night anxiously awaiting an indication of what caused the crash. The jet had been leased to a local airline to ferry German holidaymakers to and from the Caribbean's

fastest-growing destination. Although the German tour operator which had chartered the holiday jet suggested that the crash may have been caused by lightning, operators of the 693 aircraft of the same type now in service were

Japanese

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best safety records of all modern airliners and has proved itself capable of withstanding the most violent storms. There was no suggestion the weather was exceptional at the time, but a sudden squall could have resulted in hail or violent downdraughts which are known as 'windshear".

Had the jet suffered an engine failure, it could have turned automatically towards the "dead" engine, appearing to radar operators to be trying to return to land. Then, if the pilots were busy in resolving the immediate problem or the jet was hit at the worst moment by the

squall, it could have been forced suddenly lower, smash-

ing wing-tip first into the sea. Rafts were spotted in the shark-infested sea, possibly because they are stored in the doors and would have de-ployed automatically as the jet

Flight 301 was filled with German tourists who had spent one or two weeks in the booming resorts of the Do-minican Republic. The jet had been "wet leased" -- with both flight deck and cabin crew provided - to the Dominicanbased airline. Alas Nacionales, by the Turkish charter airline BirgenAir.

Built in 1985, the 757 had originally been used by Eastern Airlines in the USA. It was then sold to a number of other carriers before being bought by BirgenAir last year.

Like most other charter flights from Europe to the Dominican Republic, the plan was for flight 301 to put down at Gander in Newfoundland to refuel on the "great circle" route over Britain on its way to Frankfurt and Berlin.

The Dominican Republic -



The Turkish-registered Boeing 757 which crashed

la which was discovered by Columbus in 1492 and which it now shares with Haiti - has had one of the most phenomenal growth rates of any holiday destination. This year an estimated 100,000 Britons will visit it - 33 per cent up on last year - of which 50,000 will book with Thomson. Its main attraction, apart from some of the best beaches in the Caribbean, is its cheapness. A twoweek all-inclusive holiday

lar package holidays. Oeger Tours, the German tour operator which organised the flights, picked the Turkish charter because it was cheaper and enabled them to save at least £100 per person.

costs about £850 per person -

£500 cheaper than most simi-

One other theory certain to be examined by the investigation team is that a bomb could have brought down the jet. In 1994 a bomb hidden on an Alas Nacionales commuter plane exploded as it took off from Colon in Panama, killing

all 21 people on board. British Airways has 40 of the aircraft in regular service and it is also a work-horse for charter airlines like Britannia,

At the end of December, an American Airlines Boeing 757 crashed into a mountain in Colombia after an apparent navigational error. This is the only other recorded crash involving the jet since it came



Grief-stricken relatives of passengers leaving Berlin's Schönefeld airport

Jiang reins in military over Taiwan

FROM JONATHAN MIRSKY IN HONG KONG

PRESIDENT Jiang Zemin of cash link People's Liberation Army who are urging tough action against Taiwan. FROM PEREGRINE HODSON

IN TOKYO THE Japanese Prime Minister. Ryutaro Hashimoto, admitted yesterday that he political contributions from three organisations owed money by housing loan companies which the Governtaxpayers' money.

His admission, in parliament's budget committee session, will heighten public opposition to the bail-out scheme, costing at least 685 billion yen (£4.2 billion) from public funds.

Hiroshi Yamada, of the main opposition party, Shin-shinto, said Mr Hashimoto's political fund-raising group received 1.05 million yen from FVM, a vending machine company, and others, while he was Finance Minister in 1990. At the peak of the "bubble" economy, Mr Hashimoto ordered financial institutions to restrict loans to property companies, triggering huge loans to them by housing loan corporations - outside government control.

Many believe his action contributed directly to the badloan problem weighing down Japan's financial system. It amounts to at least 4.405 trillion yen, 95 per cent of which is

Mr Hashimoto has defended his Government's scheme but many believe losses may reach 3 trillion yen, meaning the contribution by taxpayers will be two trillion yen - or about £100 for every man, woman, and child.

According to yesterday's South China Morning Post, Hong Kong's leading Englishlanguage newspaper. Mr Jiang has warned his more gung-ho generals that an invasion of Taiwan would imperil Chinese reunification with Hong Kong next year and with Macau in 1999. Any such

saying, must wait until both reunifications are complete. The generals are said to have told Mr Jiang, who is also chairman of the Central Military Commission, that China should not delay its plans for Taiwan, which they eared would soon take pos-

session of better weapons. Although in recent weeks Mr Jiang and other party leaders have urged the mili-tary to remain obedient to the party, the paper reported that

the bellicose military attitude towards Taiwan "has more support in Peking than Mr Jiang would like". Chinese forces opposite Tai-

wan are mobilising for military manoeuvres intended to intimidate the Nationalist stronghold as it prepares for its first presidential election next month. Senior military analysts in Hong Kong confirmed yesterday that the build-up is known from satellite photographs and from

Broadcasting ban eased

Talpei: Talwan yesterday eased a decades-old ban and allowed Chinese films and television programmes to be shown here. The move was part of an effort to ease tension with China, which has increased over Peking's picion that Taiwan is mov-

that previously treated such

lers". The analysts, however, think the impending war games are not a prejude to a mainland invasion of Taiwan, which they regard as highly unlikely. In Washington, William Perry, the American Defence

what is referred to as "travel-

Secretary, said that he was "concerned but not alarmed " at the mounting Chinese pressure on Taiwan, reports of which are being fuelled by leaks from Peking designed to

ing lowards independence. It also reflected a growing self-confidence on an island

films as Communist propa-gauda. Up to ten Chinese films a year can be shown in theatres and Chinese soap operas can fill up to 30 per cent of a network's air time. Taiwan has gradually been relaxing the ban. Producers have been making films and soap operas on the mainland and a few award-winning

Chinese movies have been

shown with permission (AP)

rattle foreign investors and the island's stock market. Mr Perry said that last

November when Chinese officials in Peking asked Joseph Nye, then Assistant Secretary of Defence, whether the Americans would intervene in the event of a direct Chinese threat to Talwan, Mr Nye responded: "We don't know what we would do, because it's going to depend on the circumstances, and you don't know what we would do."

This week in Washington. Foreign Minister, was told that a military threat to Taiwan would be regarded as "a threat to the peace and sec-urity of the Western Pacific area and a grave concern to the United States", an Ameri-

can official said. It is reported that a Peking study on China's fighting ability concluded that the Americans would intervene militarily if the mainland plainly menaced Taiwan, and advised against such a threat.

Red Cross accuses Serbs of massacre

FROM PETER CAPELLA IN GENEVA

AT LEAST 3,000 people captured during the fall Srebrenica are dead and the Bosnian Serb authorities are responsible for the events there last July, a senior official at the International Committee of the Red Cross said Jean de Courten, the direc-

tor of operations, told lournals; ists that the Red Cross had "I would like to make it clear that the Bosnian Serb authorities have a serious responsibility for what happened in Srebrenica, and that I am convinced ... these people are no longer alive. This has been clearly stated to Mr Karadzic [the Bosnian Serb leader]. And, in addition, that the information provides us with the conviction that it has been

done by armed elements and

the police forces of the Bosnian

Mr.de Courten, who was visibly bitter, met Bosnian Serb leaders; including Radovan Karadzic, in the Bosnian Serb stronghold late last week Only 200 people from Srebrenica have been found so far in Bosnian Serb prisons...

Most of the Red Cross's information has been pieced together from interviews with relatives and cross-checked repeatedly presented a list of: with other sources. The Red-the 3,000 to Pale over the past. Cross has compiled a list of ing after they tried to flee the beseiged enclave. The Red. Cross has overall responsibility under the Dayton peace accords to trace thousands of people missing after four vears of war.

Mr de Courten also criticised Muslims and Serbs for failing to respect the Dayton agreements on releasing detainees. Both sides have hidden prisoners, and he accused the Bosnian Government of restricting access to them.

Aristide bows out in Haiti

Port-an-Prince: René Preval was sworn in yesterday as president of Haiti, inheriting a country so worn by grinding poverty that even he has been sceptical he can do much to ease the country's collective

pain.
Outgoing President Jean-Bertrand Aristide embraced Mr Preval, then placed the Mr Preval. then placed the red-and-blue presidential sash over his left shoulder. Mr Preval, 53, lacks the support enjoyed by his predecessor and his feeble popularity may be further weakened when he adopts austerity measures needed to attract foreign aid to the country. (AP)

Pakistan renews expulsion plea

Pakistan is stepping up pres-sure on Britain to expel Altaf Hussain, the leader of the Mohajir Quami Movement (MQM) who runs a war fri Karachi by telephone, fax and Internet from a small office in north London (Christopher Thomas writes). He has applied for political asylum. Benazir Bhutto, the Prince Minister, called him a cow ardly rat and mass murderer. He is, however, undisputed leader of 22 million Mohajirs in Sindh province.

FBI finds three stolen paintings

New York: Police recovered three stolen paintings believed to be two Picassos and a Pissarro, worth \$15 million (£10 million), from the base-ment of a block of flats in Long Island City. A Kennedy Air-port cargo handler and a man thought to be his accomplice have been arrested. The men were charged with violating a statute and larceny. (AP)

Lesotho King is sworn in

Maseru: Lesotho's Letsie, 32, has been sworn in to succeed his father. King Moshoeshoe II who died in a car crash: Letsie was king once for five years before he was states worried about stability. He undertook to abstain from involving the monarchy in politics or with any political parties or groups. (Reuter)

Happy as a pig

Stockholm: A vet pronounced 2,500 pigs drunk when they were found staggering around a farm, fighting or lying on the ground squealing after their milky feed had fermented and turned to alcohol. (AP)



Tutu: determined not to forget the past

Archbishop refuses to let bygones be bygones

IN CAPE TOWN

THE appointment of Archbishop Desmond Tutu to head the Truth and Reconciliation Commission Investiating apartheid crimes has elevated the status of the Nobel laureate to dizzying new heights. A newspaper cartoon recently went so far as to depict him walking on water.

The Anglican primate, however, is wisely not promising miracles when work begins next month. In an interview with The Times, he talked candidly about his challenging mis-sion and in the process underlined why there is so much uncertainty

We ought not to speak glibly, as people have tended to do, who say why should you have a Truth and Reconciliation Commission; you are just going to be opening up wounds and stirring up emotions and that we should just let bygones be bygones," Archbishop Tutu said. He noted the failure to address the horrors of the turn-of-the-century Boer War. "The trouble is, dealing with it as glibly as that, they can never be bygones and, as you know, those haunting words those who forget the past are doomed

mission says it should promote national unity and reconciliation that transcend the divisions of the past. This should be done by establishing a picture of human rights abuses committed between March L, 1960 and

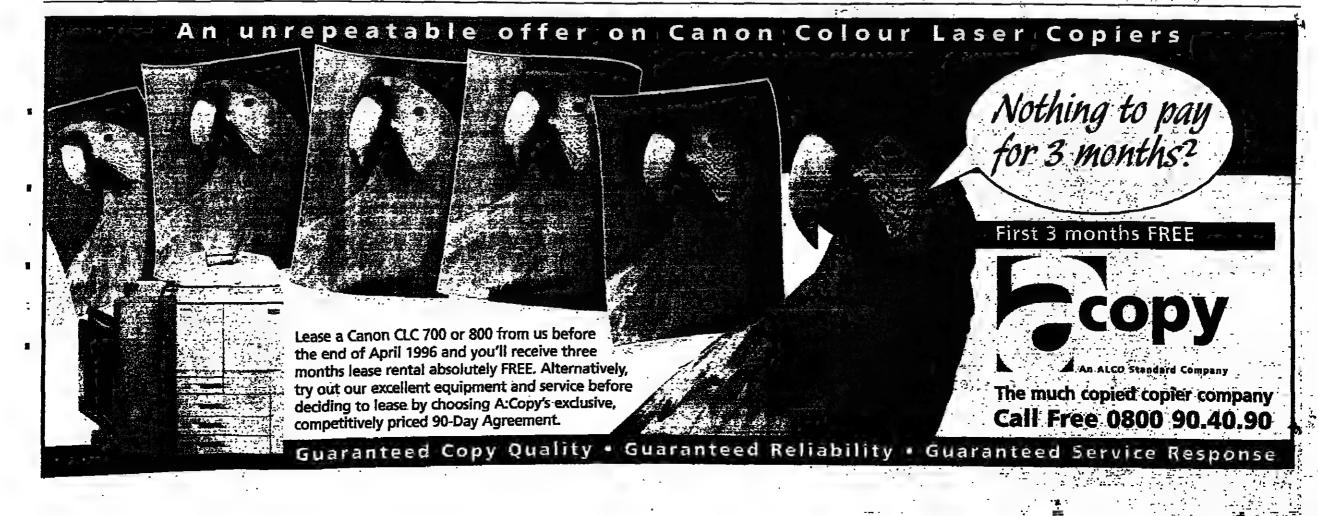
Those who make "full disclosures" may apply for amnesty from prosecu-tion. This can be refused, thus paving the way for prosecutions. The panel can summon witnesses and refusing to answer questions can lead to a twoyear prison sentence. The panel can also recommend compensation.

The merit of the commission and its direction have been contested. On one side are those who have decried it as

will hinder reconciliation. At the other end are those who say political horsetrading has weighted legislation

in favour of the perpetrator.

Archbishop Tutu, 64, is principally responsible for finding a balance and dispensing absolution accordingly. He concedes that the commission will be unable to get through all the cases: there are estimates of 100,000. There is also the issue of crimes committed outside the country. If a person admits to crimes outside South Africa, can that evidence be used under another; legal system? The clergyman admits he has no idea: "It is outside our



Tub-thumping populist raises Right's standard

Ecstatic Buchanan deals Gramm crippling blow

AN ELATED Pat Buchanan proclaimed himself the Republican Right's standardbearer yesterday after dealing Phil Gramm, his conservative rival, a crippling blow in the opening battle of this year's American presidential race.

The outspoken television commentator who grievously wounded President Bush in the 1992 New Hampshire priproduced, another giant-killing performance in Tuesday night's Louisiana caucuses, defeating Mr Gramm in a state the senator

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believed he had locked up. Through days of furious tub-thumping populist cam-paigning Mr Buchanan cob-bled together a "new coalition". of anti-abortion activists, pro-

WAS always known as

"Mr. Relentless", the most focused, disciplined and un-

forgiving member of the Re-

Subdued by a crushing de-

feat in Louisiana less than 24

hours before, Phil Gramm,

the Texas senator, still man-

aged to retain a smug opti-

mism yesterday as he arrived

in lows for the first real test of

publican presidential pack

tectionists, isolationists and victory in his neighbouring gambling foes in a deeply conservative southern state. He was rewarded with 13 delegates to this August's Republican convention. Mr Gramm won eight.

It was "a victory for a new conservatism of the heart ... a conservatism of faith, family and country", Mr Buchanan said. The Battle of the Bayou is over and it has ended in a great triumph for the Buchan-an Brigades." It was also a stunning setback for Mr Gramm, one from which this

loved Texas senator may find it impossible to recover. He had pressed Louisiana to hold the nation's first caucuses, believing a thumping

the 1996 campaign. With the

smell of the vanquished still clinging to his coat-tails, the

Republican stood before the

state capitol in Des Moines to

assure faithful lowans that he

For all his unpopularity in

the country as a whole, his

poor showing among the reli-

would not quit now.

hugely ambitious but little

state would give him valuable momentum before next Monday's Iowa caucuses. He had worked Louisiana long and hard. Its Republican establishment had rigged the caucus rules in his favour and all the leading Republican candidates save Mr Buchanan had

stayed away, preferring to concentrate on lowa.... Reporters who followed him on to his aircraft after the first exit polls said that he sat in "stummed, disconsolate silence and absently plunged an index finger into an armchair ashtray". After a few minutes, he looked up and said simply: "Can't do a damn thing about Mr Gramm, who has spent

Beaten senator smiles on in Iowa

agricultural inhabitants of

this state. His state machine is

strong and, unlike certain Republican colleagues, he has

devoted much time to the

homes and pig roasts of lowa, preaching "kitchen table" eco-

nomics on a grand scale.
On Monday, about 120,000
Republicans will gather at

2,041 party precinct meetings

to choose their presidential

more than two years and \$20 million (£13 million) on the campaign trail, gamely toured yesterday's breakfast television shows, insisting that he could rebound in lowa thanks to a strong grassroots organisation; but that is highly questionable.

Even before Louisiana, he was third or fourth in most Iowa polls and uncomfortably short of funds. His credibility with lowa's powerful Christian conservatives and potential contributors has been gravely damaged. Other lowans resent his failure to uphold Iowa's right to hold the first presidential caucuses. Compounding his woes, he was so busy campaigning in Louisiana on Tuesday that he missed a Senate debate on a farm Bill backed by lowa's many farmers that went down by a single vote.

Mr Buchanan said that he had the credibility to win the nomination. He is certainly on a roll and should perform creditably in his old stomping ground of New Hampshire on February 20, but few analysts seriously believe he can capture the nomination.

The real beneficiary of Mr Gramm's humiliation appears to be Robert Dole, who has always feared his Senate colleague much more than he



Hostage escapes gunman's vengeance

FROM ASSOCIATED PRESS

FOR six tense hours, police and a live television audience in Hawaii watched as a sacked worker, who had already shot his former supervisor, stood with a shorgun barrel taped to a colleague's head with his finger taped to

the trigger. "It is going to end with a gun bang," John Miranda promised before he launched nto a final 60-second countdown — 59, 58, 57 . . .

When the count reached 15, Tom McNeil, the hostage, tore away from the tape and grabbed the barrel. Miranda fired twice, missing, but police marksmen opened fire, shooting him dead.

We had to do what we had to do," said Michael Nakamura, the police chief, adding that any chance of resolving Tuesday's ordeal peacefully ended when Miranda began his countdown.

Miranda, 28, died about half an hour after the drama outside the waterproofing business where he once worked. Mr McNeil. 30, was left with scratches, while Guy George, 39, the supervisor who had been shot in the leg earlier, was in hospital.

The confrontation began when Miranda returned to the Seal Master of Hawaii offices with the words: "Good morning guys, you remem-

gious Right in Louisians and his absence from the farm Bill John Miranda holds a gun at a former colleague's head but was later killed by police nominee. Experts believe that vote in Washington, Mr Mr Gramm will be among the Gramm- still has a strong Madonna defies critics Pope hits at Latin America's Protestant invasion following among the highly

Madonna: Eva Perón

New York Madonna, having discovered that Argentina is less indulgent to Hollywood versions of history than some other countries, has attacked critics of her forthcoming role as Eva Perón (Quentin Letts

The American singer, whom some Argentinians consider unsuitable to play Perón in a film version of Sir Andrew Lloyd Webber's Evita, called a news conference to say that she was hurt by the reaction to her arrival in Argentina to make the biographical film. She said: Form your opinions after you have seen the movie."

model for her. "I am full of admiration for her. She came from nothing to have such influence over the country." Madonna's announcement part publicity stunt, included

Peronist loyalists say the wife of the former Argentinian leader should not be played in the \$60 million (£39 million) film by a woman named after the mother of

Christ who has appeared in rock concerts in skimpy outfits, singing of lust. Slogans such as "Evita Livesi Get out Madonna!" have appeared on She said that Peron, whom wells in Buenos Aires.

FROM ASSOCIATED PRESS IN GUATEMALA CITY DIRECTLY confronting the challenge

to his Church's traditional dominance in Central America, the Pope has accused Protestant missionaries of an appeal to ardent Peronists sowing "confusion and uncertainty" to allow the film to be made among Roman Catholics.

On his first visit to Central America in 13 years, the Pope devoted the second day of his stop in Guatemala to a series of reminders that the region had been Catholic for centuries and that many had given their lives for the Church. The Pope arrived later in Nicaragua with a message of reconciliation for a country still scarred by the civil war

that ended in 1990. He travels to El Salvador today. Protestant evangelical churches in

Central America have surged in mem-bership in recent years, worrying Catholic leaders. About 30 per cent of Guatemala's 10.7 million people now identify themselves as Protestants the largest percentage of non-Catholics

in any Central American country. The poor and Indians may be most in need of guidance from Catholic clergy, the Pope said in an evening prayer service in a Guatemala City park on Tuesday. He said they were the most affected by the "proliferation of sects and new religious groups that generate confusion and uncertainty among Catholics".

Security broke down momentarily as the Popemobile arrived behind the altar for evening Mass in Guatemala City. Scores of enthusiastic Guatemalans broke through police lines to rush

the vehicle. As the papal entourage walked up the steps of the outdoor altar, people in the 100,000-strong crowd even knocked against the Pope's chief bodyguard while others pounded on the Popemobile's windows.

After the Mass, the pontiff hugged young Indian boys and girls and plessed other Indians who mounted the altar. One man held a sheep and a couple carried a basket with a newborn baby in it. Others brought native plants and tropical flowers to be blessed. The Pope displayed one of his brightest smiles of the day as he met with the handful of worshippers.

The pontiff began his day by following the path of Catholic pilgrims. travelling to Esquipulas and visiting the basilica of the Black Christ, a 400-

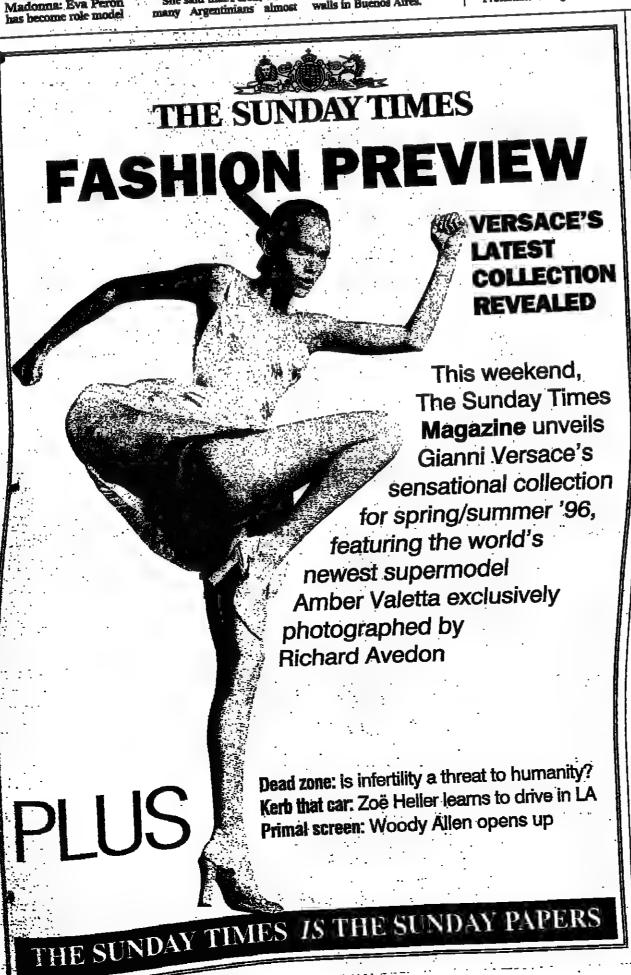
toward the pontiff as he stepped out of the vehicle. As the papal entourage wiraculous healings. It attracted 1.2 million visitors last year.

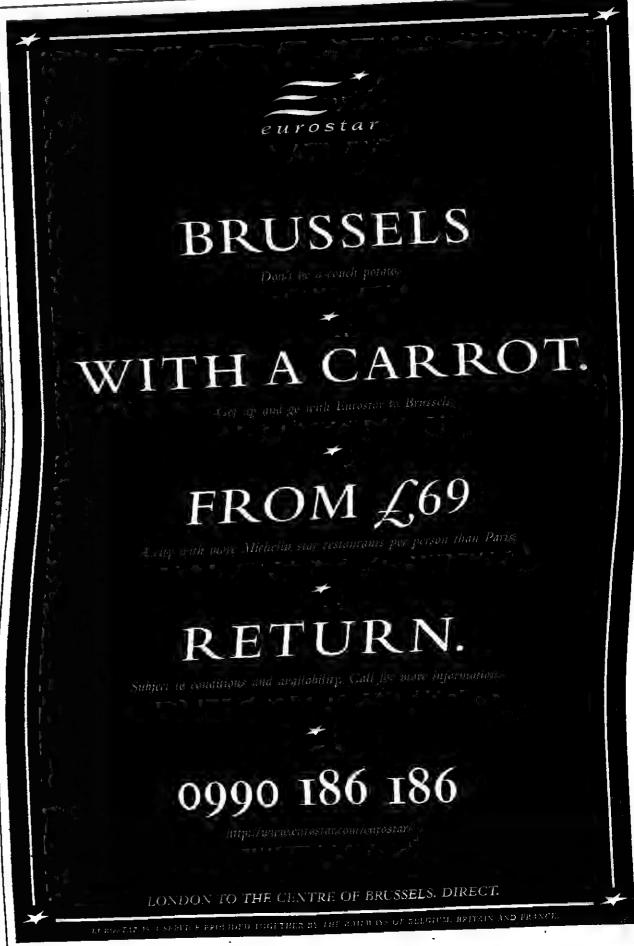
He cut short his visit there by nearly three hours, however, and returned to Guatemala City. Rain and fog that earlier delayed landing of the Vatican press corps aircraft for two hours was closing in, and could have blocked the

Pope from leaving if he waited any longer, officials said.

The change in travel plans had nothing to do with the 75-year-old Pope's health, a Vatican spokesman said. The trip is the Pope's first since he was bedridden by flu at Christmas.

The Pope suggested that a peace process begun in Esquipulas — the scene of 1986 peace accords that helped to end civil wars in Nicaragua and El Salvador - was yet unfinished.





The bullet that paralysed a diplomat

Graeme Gibson's work in Nairobi ended when armed car-jackers shot him. Emma Wilkins finds out how he and his wife are dealing with disability

s he drove home through the dark streets of Nairobi. British diplomat Graeme Gibson knew he was being followed. Looking carefully in the rearview mirror of his Land Rover Discovery, he watched as a battered Peugeot with two men inside shad-

His memory of that night before Christmas is vivid. He tried to shake off his pursuers but was suddenly conscious of their car accelerating and drawing up alongside. A man leant out and fired two shots. The second hit Mr Gibson in the neck, missing a vital artery by a millimetre. but "I knew immed-

Graeme and Pamela at St Thomas' Hospital lately that I was paralysed. My foot went down on the accelerator and I remember trying desperately to get it off but i couldn't move it." he says.

The car slewed across the road and hit a brick wall. Because his foot was still stuck. on the pedal, the car was beginning to fill with fumes. All the doors were locked, in accordance with Foreign Office security advice to

"I can remember a crowd gathering around the car but they couldn't get me out because I couldn't move. Someone had to throw a brick through the back window to get me out. I was dragged over the back seats by a man who had seen the shooting. He cradled my head in his lap until the police car arrived and took me to hospital."

Mr Gibson, 43, had been iust minutes from home in one of Natrobi's prosperous subHis wife, Pamela, who also covery cars, driven by diploworks for the Foreign Office in Nairobi, was told about the shooting in a telephone call from a passerby who had helped in the rescue.

"I didn't know what was going on. I thought it might have been some kind of a joke. I jumped in the car and drove

They've made a

spatula

attachment for

his hands so he

can flip over the

burgers on

the barbecue'

around until I saw the Land

Rover. He had just been taken

away to the hospital, so I

Mr Gibson, a second secre-

tary at the High Commission.

knew the dangers of driving

through the Kenyan capital at

night. Four diplomats had

been shot or injured in car-

jackings over the previous few months. The Land Rover Dis-

fallowed on behind."

their high black-market value. The bullet entered his neck on the right side, severing his spinal cord and leaving him paralysed from the chest down. The bullet is now lodged in a vertebra on the left side, but surgery

mats from most nations, are

popular targets because of

to remove it is too dangerous and could lead to further paralysis. Mr Gibson was flown St Thomas' Hospital before being moved to Stoke Mandeville spinal injuries unit. He has no feeling in his legs and lower arms. but some sensation in his shoulders. It could take months before doctors know the permanent extent of his injuries. He has only just learnt how to sit in

Occupational therapists have now devised attachments above the knuckles, including a toothbrush, hairbrush and patula. "He wanted to be able o do a barbecue, so they devised a spatula attachment to flip over the burgers," Mrs Gibson says. The couple, who have been

married for eight years, are determined to be positive. "Just one millimetre's difference and the builet could have gone through his vocal cord or a main artery, so it could have been worse," Mrs Gibson says. "His spinal cord is severed so he will never walk again. But he's still very much the same old Graeme - he laughs and gets irascible and frustrated just like he used to."

The couple are hopeful that he may regain some use in his thumb and forelinger, which would allow him a degree of



Graeme Gibson (second from left) with his brothers and mother on his wedding day: he used to be a keen golfer, tennis player and rugby fanatic

in the index finger and thumb," says Mrs Gibson. "If he could pick up a fork to feed himself, or be able to tap on a computer, the difference would be enormous." Dundee-born Mr Gibson

used to be a keen golfer, and had just taken up tennis again after a ten-year break. A selfconfessed rugby fanatic, he is a member of the Hash House Harriers, an international group largely made up of expats which he describes as

a jogging club that drinks".

Mr Gibson admits that he has not fully taken in the consequences of his injuries: "It hasn't really hit me psychologically yet. I want to get on with the rehabilitation and find out what I can do," he

Mr Gibson has two daughters. Jenny, aged 17, and Ellen, 15, from his first marriage to an American diplomat. The two families arranged to be posted to Kenya together so that the girls could see their

father regularly. Mr Gibson's first wife had arrived in Nairobi just a month before the

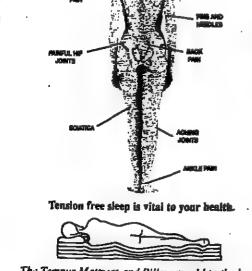
time and it had finally all come together." Mrs Gibson says. The couple have been overwhelmed by the response from: friends and colleagues across the world. Faxes have just

flooded in from every conti-

nent." Mr. Gibson says. "I've is equally uncertain, but had loads of messages from businessmens in Kanya and British thanking the for the work I did in the trade department. It allows that the job does have an impact."

and the Poreign Office has said it hopes he will be able to return to work - possibly from home Malcolm Rifkind the Foreign Secretary has visited his hospital bedside. The future for Mrs Gibson another threign posting is almost on sainly ruled our. Despite the shooting Mr Gibson's love of Africa is as strong as ever. "I'd love to say I' joined the Foreign Office to serve my country but I'm gavel, says Mr. Gibson. "I wooderful times and met some wonderful people 1 wbaldin take back a minute of it - well maybe fast 30 seconds."

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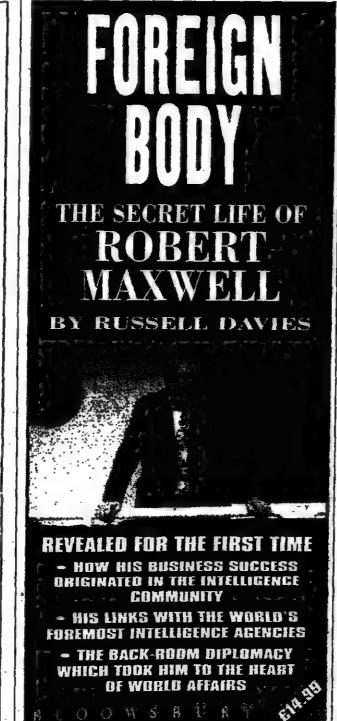


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with bot fly larvae. The infestation; known as mylasis, is caused by a maggot-like insert penetrating the skin. The eggs of the bot fly are carried on the abdomen of another insect, very often the mosquim, and when it settles on the soft tissue of a hatch. The larvae can pass tracted aften through clothing, and with-tion from a review published in ten minutes they are in Hospital Update of a safely buried in the human flesh, where they grow to thumbnail size. The larvae set up an inflammatory reaction like a boil. If a suitable paste is applied to the inflamed area the larva struggies through it to breathe,

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catacomb comes back into fashion, a simple guide to reserving a last resting space

THEY spend their lives toying with an undressed lettuce leaf in San Lorenzo, shopping on the King's Road and drinking cocktails in Kartouche. So when they die it is only natural that the ladies who hinch want to be buried as close as possible to their Knightsbridge stomping ground in the sepulchral splendour of Brompton Cemetery, Yet the inhabitants of this

gilded corner of west London have as little chance of being laid to rest in Brompton's ivycovered grounds as of joining Arthur Scargill's Socialist Lahour Party. Along with cemeteries all over London, Brompton, the imposing home to the remains of such huminaries as Emmeline Pankhurst and John Wisden of almanac fame, has run out

Last week, the cemetery announced that it would be tackling its space deficit by reopening its catacombs to new immates. At present hous-Jeing 1,200 lead-lined tombs containing the rotting relics of the Victorian bourgeoisie, the catacombs may soon be welcoming the corpses of their great-grandchildren.

There are many people who would like to be buried here, but at the moment they can't," says a cemetery spokesman. "The only space available is in graves purchased by undertakers who then sell the spaces on. When the catacombs reopen there will be room for several hundred more bodies."

All over London, the problem is the same. Deaths are about to boom, from the present figure of 640,000 a year to a peak of 829,000 in the middle of the next century. Yet the cemeteries are full to bursting. Anyone whose heart is set on a particular cemetery should book a plot now and

expect to pay for it.

"Anyone who wants to be buried in London is talking £3,000 as a conservative estimate," says Ian Hussem, the



Classical grandeur: the imposing catacombs at Brompton may soon be welcoming the remains of the great-great-grandchildren of Victorian worthies already interred there

Cemeteries to die for

Plots at his cemetery ("We have no famous residents, uniess you count a few victims of Jack the Ripper) cost from \$1,500 for a single grave to \$16,000 for a family vault. That doesn't count digging the grave, the headstone and the costs of the funeral." Karl Marx is no doubt

turning in his grave at prices

Richardson, George Eliot and in his resting place. Highgate, arguably Landon's most beau-Paraday. We do have a distinct

tiful, and certainly its most ambience which makes us exclusive cemetery. According to Richard Quirk, the managvery popular," says Mr Quirk. "And yes, people of a certain persuasion might like to be er of privately-owned Highgate, prices range from £1,300 for a single grave in the prosale east cemetery to near Marx's grave."

Bernard France, of A. France and Son, a funeral more than £10,000 for a vault parlour in Bloomsbury, cen-

in the fashionable west cemeiral London, says: "Highgate tery, near the bones of Ralph is very popular if you want to be buried with all the great and you have the financial resources. It's beautifully kept

and has a distinctive, but charming, Gothic gloom. Sometimes when we are dealing with a distinguished person, you really feel you should mention it as an option."

Also popular with Mr France's customers, as well as being cheaper, is Hampstead cemetery, which houses Lister, Marie Lloyd and one Arthur Price, a ventriloquist buried with his dummy. This, however, is local-authority controlled and open only to residents of the borough of

In the private sector, Mr France recommends leafy Kensal Green, in northwest London, where Thackeray, Brunel and Trollope are bur-led. According to Julie Rugg. of the Cemeteries Research Group at York University, it was Kensal Green which set

the trend for Victorians to be buried in cemeteries. "Two children of George III chose to be buried there - the first members of the Royal Family to be buried among common ers. After that, everybody

wanted to go there." Opened in 1832, Kensal Green was the first cemetery in London, designed to house the overflow from the cramped churchyards, where

gravediggers frequently had to dig through bodies to make space for new ones. The first private cemeteries, opened with profit in mind, were often so crowded that one family in the 1840s complained that the ground level at the graveyard next door had risen so high it was now level with their windows. Vicars, who received a large proportion of their income from burial fees, discouraged the development

of new burial grounds. "It was at this time that the catacombs at Brompton became incredibly fashionable," says Dr Rugg. "People saw them as being in the tradition of the landed gentry with their family vaults."

t took the cholera epi-demic of 1849 to change this fashion, "Catacombs were seen as insanitary. People thought they were catching diseases from these bodies buried above the ground and the catacombs were forced to close," The City of London has never closed its catacombs. "They've never been that popular," says Mr Hussein. Brompton, meanwhile, is planning to charge between £1,500 and £3,000 per cell, using profits to restore the catacomb buildings,

Those too impecunious to reserve a place in the houses of the dead might prefer to be cremated, like 70 per cent of the population.

"For cremation, many people like Golders Green Crematorium," says Mr France. Opened in 1902. Golder's Green, a listed building with 12 acres of garden. including a dispersal-lawn planted with more than a million crocus bulbs, was London's first crematorium and hundreds of celebrities have gone up in smoke there, including Dame Peggy Ashcroft, Marc Bolan, Leigh, Sid James, Anna Pavlova and T.S. Eliot. in the grounds there are memorials to, among others, such crematees as Freud, Chamberlain, Kipling and Peter Sellers. A cremation costs E210.

For those still undeterred by the price of internment, the best solution might be to be laid to rest in the back garden. "It is not illegal, so long as you keep a burial register and are not going to poison a water supply." says Dr Rugg. "But I have never heard of anyone actually doing this. It sounds like a nice idea, but think what it does to the resale value of the

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Acting—or simply living the part?

Receivily there was a rumour that Stephen Pry was going to play himself in a television version of Fat Chance, Simon Gray's. book about the disastrous production of his play Cell Mates. In other words, Fry would be a large, worried actor who flees England for Bruges and ends up in a beret posing as someone called Monsieur Simon.

Actually, his next major task is to take the lead in a film. about Oscar Wilde, and, if we are to believe its makers, this will be almost as close a match. "Stephen's intelligence, flamboyance and wit are such



it makes incredible sense," one of the producers is quoted as saying. Fry will, it seems, still be somewhat typecast.

But typecasting can, of course, go a lot further than that. Anthony Quayle, who often played war heroes on the screen, really was a war hero. Tony Hancock was a gloomy, insecure man, desperate for intellectual recognition and painfully aware of the gaps in his education, just like his persons on television. Sybil-Thorndike, vicar's daughter and socialist idealist, felt that Shaw's St Joan was in large part herself. Noël Coward was; invariably Noël Coward, especially when he was saying Noël Coward things in Noël

Coward plays.

Nell Gwyn, the first female star of our stage, brought her charisma to roles that even her tantalising sexpot onstage as



Fry playing Fry, Coward as the archetypal Coward: two classic examples of typecasting

she performed tragedy, she pressible self. After committing suicide in Dryden's Tyrannic Love, she leapt off her bier to reassure her male fans she was "the ghost of your poor departed Nelly" and promised to "come dance about your bed at night".

Of course all actors are great admirer, Pepys, some typecast to some extent. Their times found "very smutty" bodies, faces, voices and, often, personalities dictate or limit typecast to some extent. Their who they can play. You would off it, and, on the few occasions never cast Glenda Jackson as

the shrinking Desdemona, or Quentin Crisp as Tamberlaine the Great, or Edward Fox, the quintessential Edward VIII, as Bill Sikes. Yet acting is a slippery business, which constantly surprises and persiatently eludes definition. It is more than padding that

is currently transforming Oliver Ford Davies, who won an Olivier award for his playing of a very thin vicar in David Hare's Racing Demon, into a very fat John Ogdon in William Humble's Virtuoso at the Wolsey, Ipswich. Nor is It just a northern accent and a streetwise slouch that turns the elegant Diana Rigg into Mother Courage at the National. A mark of major actors is an uncanny ability to reinvent themselves from top to

toe. It is to resist typecasting. Even so, this often involves drawing on aspects of them-selves they have in common with the characters they are playing. Though Olivier was always considered the most external of important actors -

one who mimicked others rather than exposed his own nature - his Macheth was praised for its uniquely dark. inner qualities. Why? Surely because he knew what it meant to hunger to become and remain number one.

The great megalomaniac actors have often scored special successes in despotic roles. The venomous Kean was a superb Richard III. Macready, who scorned other performers as "beasts from hell", was brilliant as Coriolanus and King John. Wolfit, a monster of egoism, was a wonderfully domineering Lear. Edith Evans was Lady Bracknell.

Typecasting can be deceptive. It can even be a sort of disinformation, Rex Harrison usually played cool, urbane, affable men, yet in private was the selfish ogre whose last words to his solicitous son from his deathbed were: "What can you do? Drop dead." But for better actors typecasting has meant owning telling truths about

Was Michael Redgrave the stronger in the role of the Captain in Strindberg's Father for being a tormented bisexual? Certainly, one critic praised him for showing "the weakness of the lonely neurotic behind the Captain's sham virility". Was the late Robert Stephens the moving Falstaff he was because he knew that drink and dissolute living had wrecked him and his career? But here we are talking about something deeper and more private than the term "typecasting" can convey. If you want a more literal example of what it means, none is more horribly apt than John Barrymore's farewell to the stage, a play called My Dear Children. It concerned a Shakespearean harm on the skids, and at the time the oncegreat actor was skidding al-

ffstage, he was drinking everything nominating in he was given to urinating in lifts and hotel lobbies; his language was as vile as his appearance: he made drunken

most to skid-row.

passes at anyone female, from tarts to waitresses to his own daughter to his estranged wife, who was less than half his age. The audiences, who knew

some of this, flocked to see the abject self-portrait, and Barrymore fulfilled their expectations, tipsily fluffing his lines, or falling asleep on stage, or giving crude, offensive curtain-speeches.
It was called "the spiritual

striptease of Gipsy Rose John", "the complete obliteration of Dr Jekyil by Mr Hyde" And what did Barrymore do next? He made a film called The Great Profile about a ruined actor drunkenly adlibbing through a trashy play. Typecasting has gone, or sunk, no further.



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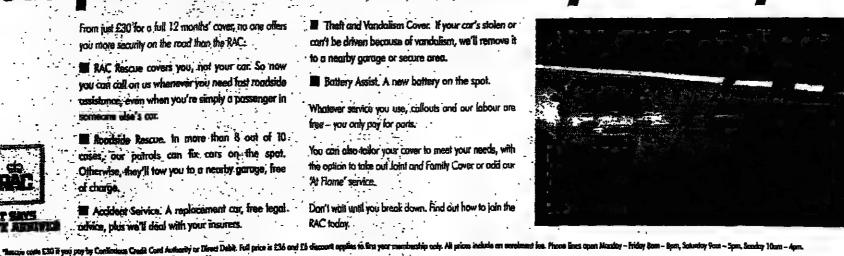
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■ Don't talk tosh about Cézanne's art — I know how he rose to fame

ou don't know how lucky I am. I have been up Cézanne's ladder. It has an iffy rung. I do not, however, intend to tell you which one. Not unless we meet, and you say: "For me, Hills and Mountains in Provence has always been the fulcrum of his development. I'm not talking only about the new audacity, I'm talking about that extra-ordinary palpability in its structure which shows just how far Cezanne had advanced beyond the mirages of impressionism."

If you say that — certainly if the woman opposite counters with Yes, it was once owned by Gauguin, you know, but the point came when Paul could no longer endure what he called the aggression of its solidity" - I shall put down my fork and say, "I have been up his ladder."

I can do a full five minutes on Cézanne's ladder. It was a good ladder, honest, coarse-hewed, thick-poled, peg-jointed, no nails, no worm either, a bit of warp of course, after all this time, but no unsettling whip, you could be five metres up that ladder and not know you were on one, provided you remembered the iffy rung, it had this creak. I can't say whether or not it creaked when Cezanne went up it, a century is a long time in laddering. Then again, it might depend what he was carrying, he was a big man by 1886 and if he had an easel under one arm, possibly a heavy box of painter's bits and bobs under the other, it might even account for the rung becoming iffy in the first place. We cannot know all there is to know about such things. your Johnny Art is a mysterious cove, and while it is diverting to think that my ear might have shared a creak with Cezanne's, I

am not jumping to any conclusions. I rented the ladder in 1986. Not just the ladder, naturally, you do not load your family into a stationwagon and drive to Aix-en-Provence for a formight up a ladder. I rented a nicely mottled 18th-century house because it had this terrific swimming-pool with the Mont Ste-Victoire reflected in it, you could float through it on your back, it was the only view of the mountain Cézanne never saw, the pool wasn't built until 1920. Not that I know whether he could swim. I should have to ask the woman opposite, or that bloke at the far end who was banging on about Cezanne's architectural approach to the female buttock a bit back, green underpainting to relate

flesh to rock, all that. It was the elderly gardien who told me about Cezanne going up the ladder. His father and grandfather had been gardiens before him, and one of his grandfather's duties had been to prop the ladder against the wall so that Cezanne could climb onto the flat roof for an aspect of the mountain unavailable anywhere else. Many a morning. Cézanne would trudge a kilometre up the lane from the Jas de Bouffin, the house he inherited from his father in 1886, climb the ladder and gaze.

I did that, too. Sometimes, I took a bottle up. Between the first glass and the last, the evening mountainflank would change from pink to blue by going through a million colours between which have no names at all.

did not know then, of course, what a very important thing this was to have done. That was because I did not know that a huge Cézanne retrospective would open at the Tate today and become the most talkedabout event in the whole history of talking. I have already been to two dinner parties and a lunch where they talked of little else and the exhibition hadn't even opened; the scalp crawls at the prospect of all the talking which lies ahead, after everyone has seen the thing. And everyone will see the thing. It is the thinking man's Mousetrap.

I do not want to hear anybody's opinion about Cézanne's pictures. I never want to hear anybody's opinion about anybody's. Not least because courtesy requires a re-sponse, and before I know it I feel my own jaw going up and down, and hear my own mouth trotting out tosh. Which is why, this time, I am one of the lucky ones. For once, I am in a position to counter the, er, mirage of aesthetic criticism with the aggressive solidarity of anecdote. I shall tell them about going up his ladder. And if that doesn't make them put a sock in it. I shall do his bucket. Because there was this old wooden bucket

in the wash-house, and the gardien said . . .

READING ROOM

No minister: Bart's belongs

A great hospital is facing closure, but

"I may be gone for some time...

am not a frequent resigner. I usually accept the American adage "if you don't keep your feet under the table, you don't get to carve the turkey". However, this week I have felt that I had to resign from the task force on the future use of the St Bartholomew's Hospital site, the most important historic site in world medicine.

On Tuesday, I wrote to Sir Ronald Grierson, the chairman, with whom my personal relations remain excellent: "I feel that I should confirm my decision to resign from the St Bartholomew's Hospital Committee. As you know, my view is that the King's Fund proposal is the most promising that we have seen so far. If it is held that we cannot consider this, I see no further use in the committee."

My experience on the task force has convinced me that there is no appropriate alternative function for more than a fraction of the Bart's site which is remotely economical, and no valid nonmedical use which is likely to be financable. The press states that the cost of recommissioning the site for the London School of Economics - probably the most attractive non-medical proposal would be £150 million; that would have to come out of charitable or public funds. Even that excludes the £65 million of net gain from property sales anticipated in the Royal Hospitals Trust's case for a new single-site hospital in Whitechapel, and the LSE figure has probably been taken before VAT. If one includes the site value write-off, and the likely tax, the cost of transferring the LSE to the Bart's site is of the order of £250 million, more than the gross capital cost of the proposed single-site hospital, or of either of the two-site alternatives. The combined cost of building the single-site hospital, decommissioning Bart's, writing off the existing Bart's site value not to mention £100 million of recently installed medical facilities - and of rebuilding to meet the LSE's needs, with fitting up and paying VAT, cannot be less than £500 million, an absurd figure.

Two 1995 consultant studies have thrown doubt on the financial calculations of the plan for a single-site hospital. CASPE Consulting, employed by the authoritative King's Fund, comments: "The continued preference of the singlesite option, on financial grounds, is reliant on the disposal of the Bart's site. Without a firm guarantee of site disposal, the taxpayer could be left holding an expensive white elephant." The York Economics Consortium commented that there is a better alternative

"the preferred option generates an additional saving of £9 million at a cost of almost £100 million additional capital spending. We believe that there is sufficient uncertainty around the estimates of net revenue savings - which are central to the appraisal - to make the assumed difference in costs between the options extremely sensitive".

The most recent large single-site hospital to be built in London is the Chelsea and Westminster. Combined forecasting errors came close to an overrun of £200 million. The capital cost turned out to be more than double the original business plan estimate; the

property sales came to less than half, and revenue costs also overran substantially. The proposed Royal London revenue saving of £9 million on E100 million of extra capital spending could easily turn into a large revenue deficit on a larger, but unknow-

able, capital sum. Both the CASPE and the York Economics Consortium studies show that the specific Bart's decision needs to be reexamined. I do not think that anyone who has been involved with the Bart's decision, or who was involved with the Chelsea and Westminster decision could still believe in the open-mindedness of the Department of Health, or, in the Bart's case, of the Royal Hospitals Trust. Objectors have faced a mixture of dogma, bureaucracy and skilful lobby-ing, with minimal willingness to listen to

counter-arguments. There is already a shortage of beds throughout the National Health Service, and particularly in London. I could write several articles about the horror stories of patients, but the hard statistics make the case. Either Britain is already grossly short of beds, or the rest of Europe is grossly wasteful. Dr Max Gammon has for years followed the reduction in the number of hospital beds per thousand of population in Britain.

If one takes the latest figures available from the OECD. England in 1993 had 4.5 beds per 1,000, as against 7.6 in 1980. France had 9.4 against 11 in 1980.

Germany 10.1 against 11.5. Italy 6.7 against 10.1, and Spain 4.2 against 5.4; the European average is 8 against 9.7 in 1980. All the European countries show a decline, but England shows a faster decline than any, and to a level lower than any except Spain. This has been achieved partly by reductions in the average period of stay in hospital, but also by such practices as "hotbedding". mixed wards, holding patients on trolleys and the reduction in the margin for emergencies. One major flu epidemic could well overwhelm the English hospital system.

This loss of hospital beds in England. seems to have developed a momentum of its own. No fewer than 103,000 beds were lost in the 1980s, and beds per 1,000 fell further, from 5.5 to 4.5, in the period between 1990 and 1902. This is not and 1993. This is not: because Britain is un-

derspending on public health. We spend about the same in Britain as the average in the EU: around gross domestic product. The rest of the EU does, however, spend somewhat more in the independent sector, about 1.7 per cent of GDP, against Britain's 1.2

The decision to close Bart's rests on three false premises. The first is that there is a profitable alternative use for the site, or, at worst, an appropriate use which will not cost the public money. No such uses have been proposed to the task force. The second is that the cost of the new hospital will not exceed the plan estimate, and that the revenue saving will not fall short. The two most recent independent consultants question these assumptions. The third is that the reductions in the number of NHS beds can safely continue, although English beds are probably now at half the average European level. The closure of Bart's is part of the bed closure programme which has already reduced much of London medicine to a Poor Law standard. This deterioration is particularly disturbing in the Royal Hospitals Trust's deprived area.

The King's Fund scheme has many merits. The King's Fund proposal is that Bart's should have a new start under a new Charitable Foundation, with a range of healthcare institutions, some in partnership with the NHS, some charitable and some private. The foundation, according to the CASPE report, would be able to offer better services to patients, at a lower cost to the taxpayer. It would include a major non-profit-making independent hospital group, admitting both NHS and private patients, major elective in-patient services, day surgery, a much-needed out-patient consulting centre, emergency admissions for local GP referrals, and cover for the Royal London during redevelopment.

Around that core would be created the local, charitable and educational services for which Bart's is particularly well sulted, together with advanced research facilities. All of this would have substantial charitable support—the name of Bart's alone is worth £8 million a year as a charitable brand. If the King's Fund proposal were adopted, any cost-overruns would be the new foundation's responsibility, not the Treasury's.

Unfortunately, the Secretary of State for Health, Stephen Dorrell, refuses to reconsider the Royal London single-site solution and the closure of Bart's. He is not willing to consider the King's Fund the decisions of [his] predecessor", even though the King's Fund proposal did not exist in his predecessor's time, even though he admits that he might have 'handled things differently".

When I became Chairman of the Arts Council in 1982, a similar prejudice existed in arts funding, a hostility against any funding that did not come from the State. The arts have benefited enormously from the development of alternative sources of funding, including sponsorship and charitable giving, but that was a change of policy for the Arts Council. The King's Fund proposal would not only make better medical provision for a deprived area, and save the Bart's tradition of excellence, but would help to bring additional funds into medical care. The Barr's issue involves the choice between catastrophe and an opportunity, between something much worse and something much better than we have at present. The orthodox view - and Mr Dorrell's - is that it is better to let the whole system break down than to try new methods of organisation and funding.

Culture is not anarchy **

Schools must reject

relativism, says

Nicholas Tate

ast month The Times reported the death in Massachusetts of the last Isurviving speaker of Cotawha, a North American Indian language. He had faced death knowing that with him would die not just a language but a whole culture. Cotawba is not unique. It joins the long list of languages and cultures which have succumbed to the advance of the West. A new empathy for cultures which have been under threat was symbolised last year when the Queen signed legislation in the name of the New Zealand Government tendering its profound regret and an unreserved apology to the Maoris for the serure of their land.

But we are not without cultural anguish of our own. We lament the anguish of our own. We lament the waning of many aspects of our own culture: the continuing "melancholy, long, withdrawing roar" of Christianity, the decline of knowledge of the classics, the illiteracy of new elites, the passing of the England of "the meadows, the lanes, the guildhelts the cassed choire" and the guildhalts, the carved choirs", and the threat to cultural diversity from the global communications revolution.
When half of young people aged 15-35 feel that there are no definite rights and wrongs in life, when the same proporwrongs in life, when the same propor-tion do not know what Good Friday commemorates, and even more are ignorant of our history, it is not surprising that some people — not only the middle-aged and the nostalgic — feel that cultural continuity hangs by a

T tis about time we had a clearer view of education's role in these matters. That is why the Government's School Curriculum and Assessment Authority is hosting an international conference this week on culture, society and the curriculum.

In my view, there are four principles on which we need to agree. First, that a basic purpose of education is to help young people to appreciate the best of our cultural inheritance and to sustain it. This needs to be said, if only to combat the romantic individualism which supposes that each new generation can somehow create the world afresh.

Second, that the curriculum needs to be firmly and proudly based in a cultural heritage with its roots in Greece and Rosne, in Christianity and in European civilisation. This is why our present curriculum emphasises the centrality of British history, Britain's changing relations with the rest of the world. the English literary heritage (with Shakespeare in pride of place) and the study of Christianity, alongside the development of critical skills.

Third, that all pupils should be made aware of the rich heritage of some of the other cultures and traditions now represented in this country. All pupils, for example, should leave school knowing that both China and the Indian subcontinent are the homes of ancient civilisations with rich artistic and literary traditions: Teaching about other cultures in schools is too often about superficial features, such as saris and samosas, rather than about these great

achievements. Fourth, that schools should aim to develop in young people a sense that some works of literature, music, art and architecture are more valuable than others. Until recently, hardly anyone would have doubted this. Though they were subject to change and dispute, it was accepted that there was a literary canon, an artistic canon, a musical canon, and so on.;

Today, however, cultural education takes place against a different background. The dominant intel-lectual current is cultural relativism. According to this view there is no difference in value between, say, Schubert and Blur, between Milton and Mills & Boon, or between Vermeer's View of Delft and a dead sheep at the Tate. All are cultural products to be understood, not in terms of their value, but in relation to the structures and circum-stances—including the gender, race and social class of the artist - within which they were produced.

By contrast, a key purpose of the curriculum has been and should continue to be the introduction of young people to high culture: the pursuit of knowledge and the arts for their own sake, the exercise of judgment irrespective of the circumstances in which the work of art was produced, and a sense of intrinsic value of those works of art which have been supremely successful in helping us to make sense of and respond to the

Certain implications follow from these broad principles. The school curriculum needs to help develop a sense of civic and national identity, and to maintain the distinctive features of English as it is written and spoken in these islands, in the face of its growth as a world language. Schools should also reflect our belief that despite technological changes, the written word, and in particular the book, has a special place at the heart of our culture.

Cultural continuity is also about the transmission of moral codes. The idea of universal values has been central from the Greeks to the Enlightenment, Perhaps we need a reassertion of this moral tradition. .. These issues arouse strong passions.

The school curriculum has long ceased to be a secret garden, and debate needs to involve the whole community. As T.S. Eliot put it education is a ligious question", not just a matter of "getting on"

Dr Nicholas Tate is chief executive of the School Curriculum and Assessment

Dishonoured

UNIVERSITY lecturers are so appalled at a proposal to give Kenneth Clarke an honorary degree that they are threatening to strike. The Chancellor of the Exchequer is being considered for an honorary doctorate in Law at Nottingham Trent University, and

academics are aghast. It is not so much his academic record that has got mortarboards spinning, as the manner in which the Government has cut back funding at his behest. The lecturers also point out that the univer-sity's policy to date has been to avoid honorary doctorates for serving politicians.

A final decision about the degree will be made at the end of the month by the university's board of governors. But there are concerns that the old boy network might swing matters Clarke's way - the chairman of the governors, Sir David White, was at Clarke's school, Nottingham High, and is a long-standing friend of the cherubic Chancellor.

At the weekend, the lecturers' union. NATFHE, raised the matter at a conference in London, saying: "We all want to know why the university wants to honour a

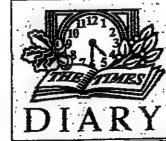
imposed cuts of £300 million on higher education." The university refused to be drawn on the matter - plans for honorary awards are "strictly confidential".

Hick up

ONE SUREFIRE indication of the esteem in which the England cricket manager Ray Illingworth holds his team is the Sky Sports fantasy cricket team that he has created. He scoured the world for talent, but picked just two Eng-land players. Michael Atherton and Graeme Hick. None of the English bowlers, it seems, are up to scratch.

Team spirit ROMANCE will soon blossom on

the terraces at Old Trafford, and we are not talking about schoolgirl crushes on Ryan Giggs or Eric Cantona. Manchester United has just received a licence for marriage ceremonies at the hallowed ground. Yesterday the red army (as fans in that neck of the woods are termed) put the Old Trafford serving politician who has just switchboard under relentless pres-



sure. Everybody wants to score in the game of two halves.

Many will be disappointed. however. Regulations are strict and it is important that people realise they can't get married on the pitch." says a spokesman. "We hope to be able to cope with four weddings a day." Requests for cer-emonies on the roof of the new grandstand have already been turned down.

Eggsactly

RELATIONS between two of the most forthright women in Westminster have turned as bitter as the winds from Siberia. Teresa Gorman has fired off an icy note to Edwina Currie over her latest appailing bonkbuster. In the book's epilogue, Edwina writes: "Teresa Gorman had at last succumbed to advancing years, stopped taking the tablets la reference to her HRT treatment] and shrunk to a benign little granny."

wrote a little note to Edwina to ask her if it was really necessary for her to make such comments, and she replied saying, 'read the book', but I really don't have time to read that stuff." explains Teresa. who distinguished herself yesterday in the MP's Bramley apple and spoon race.

She has really fished around in the garbage of Parliament in order to make snide remarks about



Teresa. unjustly treated

people. I think it's sad." And they are on the same side.

 Cézanne fever has gripped London, but there is also worldwide interest in the Tate Gallery's exhibition. Rumours spread yesterday that the teenage bride Sarah Cook came back to Britain from Turkey solely for the private view. And the gallery has received a call from the Bournemouth Echo. "They asked for an interview with Cézanne," explains a spokeswoman. "But only dear Doris Stokes could have accomplished that."

Horse drawn

THE PRINCESS ROYAL'S eventing days may be over, but there are high hopes in the Queen's household of further glory in the sport. Tabitha Ross, daughter of Col Malcolm Ross, Comptroller to the Lord Chamberlain, is being tipped to represent Britain in the Olympics — if not this time then in 2000 - on her trusty steed, HRH.

Ross, 25, had wanted to call the horse, which she keeps at her stable in Abergavenny, HRH the Prince of Wales, because he was sired by the stallion Ascendant. However, Buckingham Palace said we couldn't name a horse after a member of the Royal Family, but we could have HRH. which is as good as," whinnies

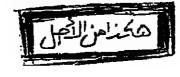


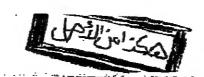
Tabitha and her mount

Tabitha. "Now, because my father works for the Queen, people think we are fawning monarchists, but it was a separate thing."

■ Elizabeth Connell, who plays Isolde in the English National Opera's Tristan and Isolde, which opens on Saturday, plans to keep sweet during the five-and-a-halfhour marathon by sticking straws through the set. She will sneak sips of water from hidden bottles in the event of dehydration.

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BLAIR'S CONSTITUTIONAL

Labour's leader still walks on the uncertain side

positions on the constitution. Yesterday, as Tony Blair set out the principles behind his support for constitutional reform, the Tory party chairman, Brian Mawhinney, gave notice that he would harry the Labour leader mercilessly over what he described as "an entirely new constitutional order based on fashionable left-wing prejudices in defiance of the wisdom of the ages". The electoral rhetoric is clear enough. But

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what of the wisdom of the ages itself? It cannot be doubted that Britain's constitution is the result of evolutionary rather than revolutionary change, that it has never been torn up and replaced, simply added to and amended in response to circumstances. Equally, nor has it always stood still. The. question now is whether Labour's proposals fit the evolutionary tradition or represent a damaging revolutionary upheaval.

Incorporation of the European Convention on Human Rights and the introduction-of a freedom of information Bill are examples of good incremental reform. As we have argued before, the human rights measure would enable British citizens to appeal to British rather than European riges if their rights have been infringed. And freedom of information would return power to the citizen that has been jealously guarded by politicians and civil servants. Neither threatens political stability.

Nor would a judicious return of powers to local government. As Simon Jenkins has often, and eloquently, argued on the page op-posite, the accretion of power to Whitehall and Westminster must be reversed. Big government is almost inevitably bad government; and one reason why national politicians are held in such low repute is that people feel so remote from the political decisions that affect their lives.

Even reform of the House of Lords ought to be achievable without rending the fabric of British parliamentary life. As long as coutweigh its benefits.

The clearest water in British politics now lies hereditary peers who have proved their between the Labour and Conservative worth are included in the new chamber, there is much to be said for merit, rather than birth, determining its make-up. If an element of elected accountability can be introduced too, so much the better.

The critical problem axises over devolution, particularly to Scotland. The decentralising arguments which pertain to local government are as powerful north of the border, but they have the added force that Scottish disconfent with the current system has lent them. There is also a strong case that devolution would be effective at keeping the Union together, as the Unionists in Northern Indiana already understand.

The Scots have long complained that while they consistently vote for Labour in large numbers, they end up being governed by Tories. The difficulty, though, is that abolishing this anomaly merely replaces it with another, the knotty West Lothian question which, in its many forms, draws attention to the asymmetry that would result if MPs at Westminster were able to vote on English

and Weish matters but not Scottish ones. The logical response to this question is to prevent Scottish-MPs from voting on English and Welsh legislation, confining their powers to matters covering the UK as a whole. Yet that could lead to the impossible position of a Labour majority government being unable to pass its own legislation in England and Wales: this would have been the case after the October 1974 election, when Labour's majority was maintained by

its Scottish MPs Mr Bläir is well aware of the importance of the West Lothian question. But he has yet to come up with an answer to it. Until he does, it is impossible to pass judgment upon his devolution plans. For the collaieral damage that they might wreak could be greater than the discontent that they are designed to address. Evolutionary tradition demands that the risks of change should not

LILLEY'S LOGIC

The future of pensions is private

The central issue in every developed country, according to Peter Lilley, is how to curb welfare spending. Yesterday the Social Security Secretary outlined his modest proposals for nudging more people towards private provision. He also made short work of the small been presented as an effort for instant social cohesion by the Opposition. Mr Lilley has established a formidable terrain. But there is still further to go.

Mr Lilley, in an inaugural lecture to the trank-tank Politeia, chose to deal with the most significant part of his portfolio - provision for the elderly. He skilfully delineated the central problem, recognised by Government and Opposition alike; in years to come an ageing population will make greater than ever demands on a shrinking workforce. He also pointed out that the State does not save. individuals do. The Government spends £90 billion a year on social security, but that is simply current expenditure immediately disbursed. If care is to be taken of the millions more who will be living on pensions in a generation's time then money needs to be put away, money the Government does not have. The proposals unveiled by Mr Lilley yesterday to encourage small businesses without occupational schemes to set up group personal pensions should help relieve some more of the State's burden.

The Opposition has not tried to pretend that the cradle to the grave welfare state can continue unreformed. Its leaders know that cold arithmetic would quickly puncture any such inflated rhetoric. Instead they pose as the genuinely radical reformers. Labour figures argue that only their own party, as the founder of the welfare state, is equipped to make the tough decisions necessary. Just as only Nixon could go to China so, it is said, only Labour can reform welfare: the status quo's supporters have to be turned on by their own side. It is a familiar argument, but one which in

this case is as unconvincing as it is ahistorical. By Labour's logic it should have been the only party capable of curbing the over-mighty trades unions of the Sixties and Seventies: instead its attempts ended in and Norman Tebbit to put the unions in their place. The real lesson is that tough problems are only solved by politicians who know their own mind. Labour still does not, as Mr Lilley showed yesterday.

The Social Security Secretary argued that two Labour proposals, a guaranteed minimum pension and a compulsory second pension, already exist in the shape of the state pension plus income support and the State Earnings Related Pension Supplement. Labour has shown recent interest in Asian models, in the shape of Singapore's compulsory Central Provident Fund and the trade union-influenced Australian pension funds. Both, however, involve the direction of investment for political ends - and both consequently yield less income than wholly private schemes.

The thrust of Mr Lilley's analysis is persuasive - the most effective way to safeguard care is for individuals to make their own provision. Moving in that direction will mean that many may have to pay twice, for their own future and for those currently on the state pension. Any movement must be gradual. But the direction should be clear - the erosion of state support and an eventual system fully funded by personal savings. That would be true stakeholding, and has the potential to be genuinely popular capitalism.

NO OTHER FRUIT

London falls under Cézanne's tenacious spell

Paintings and sketches by Paul Cézanne bright leaves in an artistic whirlwind -have come to the Tate Gallery in London. Prize works are here from galleries great and small: St Petersburg, Philadelphia, São Paulo, Paris, Berlin, Liverpool, Basle, Los Angeles and more. Londoners and London's visitors should rejoice in the unbounded opportunity now at hand to study, admire and revel in this art of many textures.

Such distinction as Cezanne's rarelycomes without pain and paradox. The artist whom we regard today as the greatest of the Moderns - with a certainty of belief that he. if alive, would surely have found maddening - made only late and painful progress in his own lifetime. He had to wait until he was 56 years old before he had his first one-man exhibition. He had the dapper Ambroise Vollard to thank for that - and the latter had reason to be grateful to Cézanne as well. The artist was to paint Vollard's portrait four years later: it is the most limpid of his later portraits, although Cézanne could not resist endowing even this prosperous Pa-Crisian picture-dealer with the hands of a

Provençal peasant. Even though the Establishment, to its discredit, found him all too easy to resist, his fellow artists were not slow to discern his genius. Degas, Monet, Gaugum and Renoir all bought Cézanne's paintings; Pissarro

never doubted his greatness, even at the beginning, when he might have been forgiven for doing so, and Matisse bought the Three.
Bathers when he could least afford the price. declaring sweetly 37 years later that he still did not know the canvas "completely". Cézanne was less appreciative of his contemporaries: "I scorn all living painters,

except Monet and Renoir," he once growled. The splendidly hung Tate exhibition brings out Cézanne's tremendous diversity. As John Golding wrote recently in an exquisite essay in The New York Review of Books, there were very few static moments in Cézarme's career: with the various genres of painting so strongly differentiated in his mind, his art "was continually on the move". There is nothing, whether pastiche, portrait, still life or landscape, that he did not paint. From unduly violent beginnings he moved finally to The Large Bathers, strange, huge

women of quite compelling mansuetude.

Yet in this array of canvas and composition, it is his still lifes which will perhaps endure best - with admiration undiminished - into the decades that follow our own Nowhere is his industry more apparent, nor even his sense of symbol, than, for example, in the Still Life With Apples he completed in 1894. Go to the Tate and taste Cézanne's apples. Afterwards, there is no

Tighter rules for

juries questioned From Mr Louis Schaffer

Sir, There may be many good reasons for tightening the rules which allow persons called for jury service to avoid their obligations, but those given by Jack Straw, the Shadow Home Secretary (report, February 7), make demonstrating reading.

ressing reading. He makes at least three unverifiable assumptions: that the increase in acquittals means that the guilty are getting away with it; that juries are akewed towards the working class and unemployed; that such jurors are often unsympathetic to the police (an odd attitude for a Labour politicians).

Is it not naive to suppose that a juror who is annoyed at the cancellation of the family's holiday or worried about the closing of his business will be more inclined to convict?

There may be other reasons for the increase in acquittals between 1986-87 and 1994-95. One is that it is indicative of fewer miscarriages of justice. Following the codes of practice introduced under the Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984, such as the tape-recording of suspects' interviews, which may take place only at police stations. dishonest officers can no longer invent confessions or criminals claim that they have been "verballed" and so would be advised to plead guilty. This was not the case before the Act.

Another reason has been the greater disclosure by the police of unused material which may assist the de-

If Mr Straw is really concerned at how juries reach their verdicts and not just trying to show that Labour is tough on crime, he should be advocating a change in the law to allow research into how juries arrive at their

Yours sincerely, LOUIS SCHAFFER. 10 King's Bench Walk, Temple, EC4.

From Professor Bernard S. Jackson

Sir, I fully endorse Professor Mike McConville's view ("Putting juries on trial", January 30) that there needs to be serious research into the jury system before new policy is made. I am less persuaded that such paltry evidence as exists justifies his own evalu-

He refers inter alia to a 1992 shadow jury experiment (conducted in the Liverpool Crown Court) which generated a television programme, Inside the Jury, and suggests that this showed the jury deliberations to be "rational and thoughtful". Not everyone would agree.

At one point, with the jury divided four for conviction against eight for acquittal, one member of the minority observed that his side consisted of "four mature men" while the majority was made up of "four mature ladies together with all the youngsters".

At another point, trustrated at the apparent impasse, the same juror suggested a compromise: there were two charges, so he proposed "an honour-able or dishonourable draw" - conviction on one charge, acquittal on the other. Rational and thoughtful?

In the Bible, the accuracy of the judicial function was legitimated by faith in divine inspiration: God was said to be "with you when you pass sentence" (II Chronicles xix, 6). In the present state of knowledge, our faith in the jury enjoys a similar status.

Yours sincerely, BERNARD S. JACKSON. University of Liverpool. Faculty of Law, Liverpool L69.

From Mr John Bunting

Sir, Most criminal business is transacted in the magistrates' courts. If Mr Straw really holds such an old-fashioned and patronising view of the working class and the unemployed as his comments seem to suggest, will new Labour, if elected, also take steps to ensure that these supposed undesirables are avoided when selections for the magistracy are made?

Yours truly. J. BUNTING. 77 Green Lane, Buxton, Derbyshire. February 7.

Floral tributes From Mrs M. J. Miles

Sir, Perhaps because it is now so easy to order flowers over the phone this has increasingly become the custom. particularly when a tragedy occurs that touches the heart of the nation. Such tributes are, however, almost invariably left in their florists' wrappings, so that soggy paper and steam-ed-up plastic obscure the beauty of the

The overall effect is often depressing rather than uplifting. Perhaps Mr Brian North Lee's excellent suggestion (letter, February I) that single flowers and small postes might be acceptable should be adopted also on more public occasions.

Yours faithfully, MARGARET MILES, 77 Marlborough Crescent, Sevenoaks, Kent.

From Mrs Harriet Lear

Sir. A simple bunch of flowers instead of the often disastrous formal wreath, or even worse, plastic-wrapped bouquet, could be encouraged by a plea for "No bought flowers, please" in death nonces.

Yours faithfully HARRIET LEAR. Knowlands Farm, Barcombe, Nr Lewes, East Sussex.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR 1 Pennington Street, London El 9XN Telephone 0171-782 5000

Uses of complementary medicine From Dr Nick Argyle

Sir, I am delighted that you drew at-tention to the benefits provided by "alternative medicine" in your feature and leader yesterday (February 5; also articles, February 6). You are un-doubtedly right to emphasise the importance of more well organised scientific studies, but where research has been done we need to ensure that the results are applied in general practice, for the benefit of both doctors and

A study published a month ago in Hypertension, the journal of the American Heart Association, showed the regular practice of transcendental meditation (TM) reduced high blood pressure by about 11 points, without the side-effects of medication.

In all over 150 studies on TM have been published in scientific journals, showing that it helps with a wide range of stress-related disorders; that those who practise it have a significanfly reduced need to go to the doctor (87 per cent reduced hospitalisation for heart disease in one study); and even that inflation-adjusted healthcare costs can be reduced by between 5 and 7 per cent annually over a period of up to seven years (American Jour-nal of Health Promotion, Janu-ary/February).

The problem is that doctors who are

aware of the potential uses of TM and wish to apply it often find it difficult to secure a budget from the local health authority. The Government and Department of Health are rightly keen for there to be more health promotion. they should therefore ensure that GPs are informed about the very significant research results on transcenden-

Yours faithfully, NICK ARGYLE (Consultant psychiatrist), Northwick Park Hospital, Psychiatric Department, Watford Road, Harrow, Middlesex. February 6.

From the Secretary of the General Council and Register of Osteopaths

Sir, Dr Thomas Stuttaford (February 6) cannot tar osteopathy with his broad-brush denigration of "alterna-

Angolan peace needs

of Save the Children

Sir, The UN Security Council meets on February 8 to decide whether to keep 7,500 peacekeeping troops in An-gola. Their mandate will probably be renewed for a few more months, but the "peace process" they are overseeing is deeply bogged down.

In the intensive diplomatic round

third is equally vital.

Scrap metal

From the Executive Director of the British Metals Federation

Sir, One can readily sympathise with the predicament of the new Environment Agency's inspectors who, to quote Nick Nuttall's report (February 7), are being offered "clip-on ties, ultrasonic stun-guns and courses in unarmed combat to deal with scrap metal merchants with big dogs". They will be in the front line of the battle to rid the nation of fly-tippers, law-defy-ing dumpers of toxic waste and cowboy operators on the fringes of metals recycling.

However, the report regrettably perpenuates a long-held public misconception that scrap metal is the prerequisite of such people. In fact metals recycling is a thriving multi-billion pound industry in the UK and arguably the most environmentally responsible. In 1995 it transformed more

An upward trend

From the Bishop of Maidstone

Sir, In your report on matters to come before the forthcoming meeting of the General Synod ("Worshippers to be asked for 5 per cent of earnings". February 2), your correspondent spoke of "dwindling congregations".

You might be interested to know that congregations in the Archbishop's own diocese of Canterbury "dwindled" upwards last year to the time of some 400 more worshippers on an average Sunday, and the same upward "dwindling" also took place in several other dioceses that I can

I say "several" simply because I have, thus far, only checked with a

The state of the s

TGAVIN MAIDSTONE, Rishop's House. Pett Lane, Charing, Ashford, Kent. Pebruary 2.

Yours.

tive remedies". All professionally regulated osteopaths undergo extensive training in basic medical sciences, followed by appropriate clinical training. This enables them to identify

cases which require immediate referral to a general medical practitioner. The recent report of the Clinical Standards Advisory Group on Low

Back Pain recommended that the opti-mum treatment for acute back pain was early manipulative therapy, including osteopathy. It also stated that there is no convincing evidence that ...

X-rays are necessary before manipulation and that ... CT and MRA [scans] are unsuitable for use as diagnostic screening Well over 100 fundholding and some non-fundholding GPs have al-ready contracted with osteopaths to

provide treatment for their NHS patients and the number is increasing daily. Osteopaths are also employed in some NHS hospitals and community trusts. The new General Osteopathic Council, the first members of which were announced last Thursday, will have similar responsibilities to those of the General Medical Council, whose president has unreservedly

Yours truly, DAVID C. WEEKS, Secretary. The General Council and Register of Osteopaths. 56 London Street, Reading, Berkshire.

supported the osteopathy profession.

From Ms Antoinette Sym

February 6.

Sir, While I applaud the wider coverage given to the various healing systems that are available, I would take issue with your term "alternative". Most practitioners would prefer "complementary", and any genuine practitioner would never advise a pa-tient to ignore their GP or forgo traditional treatment.

Traditional and complementary treatment should be able to work together for the benefit of the patient.

towns are cut off from their hinter-

lands, preventing farmers getting food to markets and essential consum-

er goods like salt, sugar, soap and

cooking oil from getting into the coun-

tryside. Such simple exchanges could

rapidly help people re-establish their livelihoods while waiting for the grant

reconstruction plans which are depen-

Those of us assisting in re-establish-

ing essential services such as primary

healthcare have restricted access to

populations across the lines; nor can

the people come to the services. In a country where one child in five dies

before its fifth birthday this is a dis-

While the other aspects of the pro-

cess may drag on for several months,

freedom of movement in Angola could

save many lives now and throughout

dent on peace.

Yours faithfully,

Director General,

17 Grove Lane, SE5.

MIKE AARONSON,

The Save the Children Fund.

Yours faithfully, ANTOINETTE SYM (Spiritual healer).

17 Hungerford Road, N7.

From the Director General

The three key provisions of the Lu-saka protocol (which created the present ceaselire between the Government and Unita rebels) have still not been implemented, 14 months after the signing. These are the demobilisation of 60,000 Unita troops; Unita to join a new government of reconcilia-tion; and freedom of movement for people and goods throughout Angola.

which must follow an extension of the UN forces' mandate much attention will be given to the first two provisions. Save the Children believes the

With front lines snaking back and forth across the interior provinces.

than ten million tonnes of redundant ferrous metals into furnace feed for steelworks and foundries; exports topped four million tonnes. Furthermore. the UK non-ferrous metals recycling industry is worth an estimated £3 bil-

If responsible metals recycling businesses - about 98 per cent of the industry -- employ rottweilers, it is sole-ly to deter thefts of their valuable equipment and materials by the miscreant 2 per cent the agency is setting out to eradicate.

As far as the members of this federation are concerned, the sooner the nspectors unhoister their stun-guns,

Yours etc. RICK WILCOX Executive Director. British Metals Federation, 16 High Street, Brampton. Huntingdon, Cambridgeshire. February 7.

Living languages

From Mr Hugh Caldwell

Sir, Esperanto lives, as Mr Norman Berdichevsky (letter, January ZI; see also letter, February 6) says; it lives, though, on the life-support machine supplied by language hobbyists.

I happened to be in a restaurant in Belgrade, in happier times, when it was host to a conference of Esperantists. A table of enthusiasts was enjoying a conversation in their hobby-language. When the waiter approached, they all switched immediately to English.

German would have done as well. but Esperanto would have been useless, of course.

Yours sincerely, HUGH CALDWELL. Clos du Cinquantenaire 2-BS, Brussels B-1040.

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Australian stance on World Cup

From Senator John Faulkner, Minister for the Environment, Sport and Territories, Australia

Sir, I am writing to convey my anger, and that of the Australian people, at the sentiments expressed in your edi-torial of February 6 (see also letter,

February 7).
To brand the decision of the Australian Cricket Board not to send the Australian team to Colombo for their World Cup match against Sri Lanka as "craven" is totally unjustified and grossly unfair to everyone who has been involved in this difficult decision, most importantly the Australian team members and their families.

The Australian Cricket Board and the players are well aware of the impact of their decision on the World Cup tournament. They have decided only with the greatest reluctance not to play in Colombo in view of the very real and serious security risks posed by the current situation in Sri Lanka. Their decision has the full support and understanding of the Australian Government and people. You will be aware that the West Indies team has independently reached the same deci-

I reject utterly your assertion that the Australian players have "acted neither with courage nor with dip-lomacy" on the basis that "they have upset the organisation of a complex tournament and handed a propaganda victory to the murderous Tamil rebels . . . * They are quite understandably concerned about their safety. The players' concerns are shared by their families and their many supporters. The Australian Cricket Board has quite rightly put the team's welfare ahead of other considerations in reaching the decision not to play in Colombo at this time.

JOHN FAULKNER Minister for the Environment. Sport and Territories. Parliament House, Canberra, ACT 2600, Australia. February 7.

From Dr Daya Pandita-Gunawardena

Sir. The cricket-loving people of Sri Lanka, almost the whole of the island, eagerly await a change of heart and of mind by the Australian and West Indian cricket authorities. Our recent good performances abroad and the World Cup, which is the greatest sporting event in Sri Lanka, have generated tremendous enthusiasm and interest. I and many millions are crying out for a reinstatement of the full World Cup programme. The games against the Australians and West Indians would be two of the finest firstround matches in the tournament.

The Sri Lankan authorities, acknowledging the anxieties of the visit-ing cricketing ambassadors, have gone to extraordinary lengths to provide the kind of security usually re-

served for visiting heads of state.

Disruption to the programme under these circumstances may well create a dangerous precedent. I sincerely hope that all four matches will be played in Sri Lanka as scheduled.

Yours faithfully, DAYA PANDITA-GUNAWARDENA (Sri Lankan Cricket Board Representative in the UK).

132 Foxley Lane, Purley, Surrey.

A new royal yacht From the Secretary General of

the Royal Yachting Association Sir. The proposed royal sail training ship ("Is this the new Britannia?" Weekend, February 3) would promote our maritime heritage in a quite outstanding manner. She would project a real presence, in harbour and at sea, in a thoroughly modern yet environ-

mentally sensitive way.

The imaginative concept of Queen's cadets from the Commonwealth as well as Britain would provide young people with an unforgenable experience. The project would be a marvel-lous symbol of British innovation and character as we reach the end of this millennium. The Head of State, diplomatic, commercial and youth development roles are all embraced by the concept. I very much hope that it pro-

Yours sincerely, ROBIN DUCHESNE, Secretary General. Royal Yachting Association, RYA House, Romsey Road, Eastleigh, Hampshire.

Naval engagement

February 3.

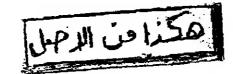
From Vice-Admiral Sir Ian McGeoch Sir, A convoy (letters, February 7) is a convoy, wherever (as P. G. Wodehouse said of a hellhound) you slice it. And the essence of convoy is es-

cort. Who, may one ask, is to escort the European Community?

And why, in time of peace, which the Community is intended to ensure, model it on a convoy, which is the most inefficient way of using available shipping, justifiable only in war?

Yours faithfully, IAN McGEOCH, Kirk Deighton House. Kirk Deighton. Wetherby, West Yorkshire.

February 7.





COURT CIRCULAR

SANDRINGHAM, NORFOLK February 7: By Command of The Queen, the Earl of Courtown (Lord in Waiting) was present at Heathrow Airport, London, this evening upon the Departure of The Duchess of Kent for India and bade farewell to Her Royal Highness on behalf of Her Majesty.

BUCKINGHAM PALACE February 7: The Prince Edward this evening attended the opening night of "Late Joys" at the Players' Theatre, the Arches, Villiers Street, London WC2, at the start of the theatre's Diamond Jubilee celebrations.

ST JAMES'S PALACE February 7: The Prince of Wales, Colonel-in-Chief, The 22nd (Cheshire) Regiment, this morning visited the 1st Battalion at Oakington

Barracks, Cambridge.

His Royal Highness this after-noon opened the new Peterborough Environment Centre and Eco House, and viewed an ex-hibition of the work of the Peterborough Environment City Trust at Westgate, Peterborough, and was received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant of Cambridgeshire (Mr James Crowden). KENSINGTON PALACE

was received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant of Hampshire (Mrs Mary Fagan). His Royal Highness opened the Science Centre at Peter Symonds

ter today visited Hampshire and

College, Owens Road, and after-wards visited Bendicks (Mayfair) Limited at Moorside Road, Major Nicholas Barne was in attendance

YORK HOUSE February 7: The Duke of Kent. Patron, British Menswear Guild, this morning visited Aquascutum Limited, Trafalgar Road, Kettering. Northamptonshire, and was met on arrival by Her Majesty's Lord-Licutenant for North-amptonshire (Mr John Lowther). ampionshire (Mr John Lowiner).
His Royal Highness later visited limor Engineering Limited.
Quarry Road, Brixworth, and Foilwraps Flexible Packaging Lim-

tate, Northampson, Northamp-Colonel John Stewart was in

ited, Moulton Park Industrial Es-

The Duchess of Kent, Patron. UNICEF, this evening departed London Heathrow Airport for hi. India. Mrs Julian Tomkins was in

Today's royal Luncheons engagements wealth Secretariat

The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh will dine with the High Commissioner for New Zealand at 43 Chelses Square, London SW3,

Today's events

The Queen's Life Guard mounts at Horse Guards at 11.00.

The Middlesex Hospital A special service of Celebration

and Dedication to mark the 250th anniversary of the Middlesex Hospital will be held at St Martin-inthe-Fields at 12.30pm on May 9, 1996. All post and present staff are invited to apply in writing for tickets which can be obtained from the Administration Department Middlesex Hospital, Mortimer Street, London, WIN 8AA or by telephoning 0171-380 9944 (Answerphone). Please note the closing date for applications will be April 9, 1996. Transport will be available from the Church to the hospital (upon request) where

Mr John Gummer, Secretary of State for the Environment, was the guest of honour at a luncheon given yesterday at Marlborough House by Chief Erneka Anyaoku. Commonwealth Secretary-

Tallow Chandlers' Company Mr M.M.L. Sundille. Master of the Tallow Chandlers' Company, presented the company's awards to City and Guilds Vocation Education Students at a luncheon held yesterday at Tallow Chandlers' Hall. Sir Michael Heron, Chairman of the National Council for Vocational Qualifications, also

Reception

spoke.

Sternberg Centre for Judaism The High Commissioner for India. Dr L.M. Singhvi, planted a tree at the Sternberg Centre for Judaism on Monday to mark the Jewish new year for trees and presented a bust of Mahaima Gandhi to Sir Sigmund Sternberg. The High Commissioner for South Africa, Mr Mendi Msimang was present.

Birthdays today

Lord Cameron, KT, 96; Professor Averil Cameron, Warden, Keble College, Oxford, 56: Miss Rachel Cusk, author, 29; Sir David Elliott. civil servant, 66; Mr Osian Ellis, harroist, 68: Marshal of the RAF Sir John Grandy, \$3: Mr Harman Grisewood, former chief assistant to the director-seneral, BBC, 90: Admiral of the Fleet Lord Hill-Norton, 81; Lady Howe of Aberayon, chairman, Broadcasting Standards Council, 64: Lord Jakobovits, 75; Mrs Diana Ladas, former Headmistress, Heathfield School, 83; Professor Ann Lambton, Emeritus Professor of Persian, London University, 84: Mr Murray Lawrence, former chairman, Lloyd's, 6l; Mr Jack Lemmon, actor, 7l; Mr Roger Lloyd Pack, actor, 52: Miss Morag

Macdonald, former company secretary, Post Office, 49; Sir Francis McWilliams, former Lord Mayor of London, 70; Sir Kenneth Maddocks, former governor, Fiji, 89: Dame Elisabeth Murdoch, 87: Mr Alexander P. Papamarkou, international financier, 66; Dr June Paterson-Brown, former chief commissioner, Girl Guides Association, 64; Lord Rayne, 78; Dame Laurie Salas. UN worker, 74; Sir Richard Southern, former President, St John's College, Oxford, 54; Mr G.J. Strowger, former manag-ing director. Thorn Electrical Industries, 80; Mr Richard Tracey. MP. 53: the Rev Dr John Tudor. former superintendent minister. Westminster Central Hall, 66; Mr John Williams, composer of film

DEATHS

CUMBERGS - On February 5th; at Highlands House Nursing Home. Tumbridge Weils. Affred Edwin aged 94. Dearly loved makend of the late Setty and much loved insher of June and Shiring. Funeral at the Tumbridge Weils. Crematorium. February 14th at 11.30 am. Flowers to E.R. Hickmoll & Son. 41 Crove Hill Road. Tushridge Weils. EVARS - On 6th February 1996 at Cheltenham Ceneral Hospital, Isobel Stewart passed away with sevenity. aged 82 years. Much beloved wife of Rev. Engr Evans. The Funeral Service will take place at Cheltenham Crematorium on Wednesday.

Crematorium on Weinseday 14th February at 12.30 mm. Family flowers only, donations if desired for Multiple Sciences c/o Selba Smith & Co. Ltd., 74 Prestbury Road.

Prestoury Road.
Chellenham, Glos.
FRANKLIN - On Tuesday
February 6th 1996.
peacefully at home in
Souford, George Brian
Frankin B.D.S. aged 65.
beloved husband of Valerie
and much loved sailer to
Paul. Karen. Justin and
Tats. Service at St Leonaria
Church. Seaford. on
Thursday February 15th at
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11. Commander Charles
Godwin D.S.C. RN. Husband
of the late Lydia and much
loved father of Juffa. Service
of Thanksgiving at The
Parish Church of St. Philip
and St. James. Norton St.
Philip. Bath on Menday.
19th February at 230 pm.

19th February at 2.30 pm.
JOHNSTON - On February
5th 1996, J.W.J. (Jenny)
Findlay, beloved wife of
J.R.Y. Johnston (Bert),
pessed away peacefully.
KIRBY - On February 4th
1996 in the loving care of
Parthorough Houghis, Kent,
Ethel Kaie Kirny of Bromley.
Kent, much loyed widow of
Richard and mother of
Barbara. Funetal at
Beckenham Crematarism on
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outy, Donetions if desired to
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Prestbury Chellenham, Glos.



Anniversaries

BIRTHS: Robert Burton, scholar Lindley, Leicestershire, 1577; Jean André Deluc, geologist, Geneva, 1727; John Ruskin, writer, artist and social reformer, London, 1819; William Sherman. Union general in American Civil War. Lancaster, Ohio, 1820: Henry Walter Bates, naturalist and explorer, Leicester, 1825: Jules Verne, novelist, Nantes, 1825: Draipri Mendeleyev, chemist, Tobolsk, Russia, 1834: Martin Buber, philosopher, Vienna, 1878; Dame Edith Evans, actress, London, 1888; King Vidor, film director, Galveston, Texas, 1894; James Dean, actor, Marian, Indiana, 1931.

DEATHS: Mary Queen of Scots. executed at Fotheringay Castle. Northamptonshire, 1587; Peter the Great, Tsar of Russia 1682-1725, St. Petersburg, 1725; Aaron Hall, poet and dramarist, London, 1750; Rob-ert Southwell Bourke, 5th Earl of Mayo. Viceroy of India 1869-72, assassinated at Port Blair, Andaman Islands. 1872; Berthold Auerbach, novelist, Cannes, France, 1882; R.M. Ballantyne, novelist, Rome, 1894; Prince Peter Kropotkin, geographer and an-archist, Dmitrov, Russia, 1921; William Baleson, biologist and geneticist, Merton, Surrey, 1926; Sir Giles Gilbert Scott, architect,

London, 1960. Rioting and looting followed a peaceful demonstration of the un-employed in Trafalgar Square. London, 1886 Kenneth Robinson, health min-

ister, announced that eigeneite advernising was to be barned from British television, 1965. Fourteen British mercenaries were executed by firing squad in Angola, 1976.

Shergar, the Aga Khan's Derby winner, was kidnapped from a stable in Co Kildare and a £2 million ransom was demanded, 1983.

Dinner Foundation for Science

and Technology Lord Butterworth, Chairman of the Council of the Foundation for Science and Technology, presided at a lecture and dinner discussion held last night at the Royal Society. Mr F.A. Osborn, Mr Rodney F. Chase and Mr Georges Kremlis were the speakers.

Appointment

Mr Reggie Norton to be chairman of Anti-Slavery International in succession to Mr Michael Harris.

Memorial services

Mr David Nickerson

Princess Michael of Kent attended a service of thanksgiving for the life of Mr David George François Nickerson, antiques dealer, held resterday at St Paul's, Knights-bridge, The Rev Christopher Courtauld officiated, assisted by the Ven Derek Hayward. Canon Michael McLean led the prayers. Mr Mark Nickerson, brother read the lesson. Mr Jeremy Pilcher read from The Prophet by Kahlil Gibran and Sir Timothy Acknoyd read Rupert Brooke's The Fish. Sir John Blofeld gave an address. Antong others present were:

Among others present were:

Mrs Nickerson (widow), Mrs George Nickerson (mother), Mr and Mrs William Nickerson and Mr and Mrs William Nickerson and Mr and Mrs William Nickerson and Mrs and Mrs William Nickerson and Mrs Amerike Wakefield ison-in-law and daughter). Mrs Mark Nickerson (sister-in-law), Miss Emma Nickerson, Miss Caroline Nickerson, Miss Fama Mrs Hood, the Hon James Hood, Lord and Lady Northbourne, Mr and Mrs Caroli MacNamara, Mr and Mrs Etlen MacNamara, Mr and Mrs Jeremy Car, Mrs Timothy Denny,

The Countess of Iveagh, Earl and Countess Ferrers, Judin Countess Sathurst, Ann Countess of Coventry, Patricia Countess Fellicoe, Earl and Countess Kimberley, Earl Sondes, Lady Mark Pitzalan Howard, Viscount and Viscountess Strathallant, Lord Ogilyy, Lord and Lady Clinma, Anne Lady Elion, Lord and Lady Birdwood. Lady Aberdare, Lady Maryel de Wichfield, Lady Mary Colman, Lady Henriens Eathurst, the Hon Mrs Hills Forescue, the Hon Mrs

Hon Mrs Bevan, the rion Julia Stonor.
The Hon Lady Hastings, the Hon John Allsopp, the Hon Mrs Christopher McLaren, the Hon Raymond Bonham Carter, the Hon Michael and Mrs Spring Rice, the Hon Mrs Myddelton, the Hon Michael and Mrs Vaughan, the Hon Mrs David Bathurst, Sir Francis and Mrs David Bathurst, Sir Francis and Lady Dashwood, Caroline Lady Nutrall, Sir Geoffrey Shakestey, Sir Humpbry Wakefield, Sir James Harvie-Watt. Sir John Gooch, Sir Ian and Lady Rankin, Lady Crofton, Lady Cage, Lady Shovering, Sir Peter Wakefield, Lady Wakefield, Sir Mark

Weinberg, Sir Hugh and Lady Leggait, Lady Sowrey, Lady Warmer, Lady Bornel, Lady Sowrey, Lady Warmer, Lady Bolofel, Lady Elion, Lady Gage, Mr David and Lady Gage, Mr David and Lady Gage, Mr David and Lady Gage, Mr Bard Bard, Sachofen, Comtesse de Roblen, Countess Borchgrave, Mr Tim Rainbone, MR, and Mrs. Rainbone, MR, and Mrs. Rainbone, Mr and Mrs. Rainbone, Mr and Mrs. Rainbone, Mr and Mrs. Rainbone, Mr and Mrs. British Mr and Mrs. British Mr and Mrs. Mr Tim Rainbone, Mr and Mrs. Bobby Nicolle, Major To G W Potts, Mr and Mrs. Bobby Nicolle, Major To G W Potts, Mr and Mrs. Mr Indiael Mracifulay MacLod, Mrs. Mr Redfern, Mr and Mrs. Andrew Buxton, Mrs. Nicola Buxton, Mr Desmond McSweeny, Mrs. Sane Lloyd Ower, Mrs. April Partidge, Mr and Mrs. I Watsyn Lewis, Miss Katy Pertwee, Mr and Mrs. A Guthie, Mr Peter Dixon, Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs. George West, Mr. and Mrs. Crowe, Mrs. Malfer Goelz, Mr William Clegg, Mrs. Andrew Clowes, Mrs. Walter Goelz, Mr Richard W Jewson, Mr and Mrs. Clore, Mrs. Dr. Oliver Impey, Mrs. T. Miller-Sterling, Mr Philip Astley-Jones, Mr and Mrs. David Lams Mrs. Tem. Craig, Mr and Mrs. Paul, Mr and Mrs. Henry Blorield, Mr Frank Berendt, Mr Throphy Hill, Mr and Mrs. Peter Manther Eckersley, Mr Colin Campbell, Mr and Mrs. Tomcan, Mr and Mrs. Peter Manther. Eckersley, Mr Colin Campbell, Mr and Mrs. Tomcan, Mr and Mrs. Peter Manther. Eckersley, Mr Colin Campbell, Mr and Mrs. Tomcan, Mr and Mrs. Peter Manther. Eckersley, Mr Colin Campbell, Mr and Mrs. Tomcan, Mr and Mrs. Henry Blorield, Mr Frank Berendt, Mr Throphy Hill, Mr and Mrs. Jonn Hall, Mr and Mrs. Polic Campbell, Mr and Mrs. Tomcan, Mr and Mrs. Polic Campbell, Mr and Mrs. Tomcan, Mr and Mrs. Polic Campbell, Mr and Mrs. Tomcan, Mr and Mrs. Polic Campbell, Mr and Mrs. Tomcan, Mr a Charlotte Bioleid, Mrs S Wood, Mr and Mrs George Lane. Mr Bez Cooper (chairman, Malletra) and Mrs Cooper with Mr I. Synge (managing director) and other members of stalt, Mr Richard de Petet (Christies), Mr Paul Whitfield Combaban, Mrs Edding Dean (BADA). isomeory, missianin (Pervidge Fine Aris), Mr. John Morton-Mortis (Hezint Goden & Rox), Mr. Anthony Law Apollo; Mr. Richard I Robinson (Craffiem Corporate Consultants), and Mr. P. MacCariby O'Hea (TOW!).

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Canon Frederick

Tindall

A service of thanksgiving for the life of Canon Frederick Tindall was held yesterday in Salisbory Cathedral, Canon Jeremy Davies, precentor, officiated and Canon Phillip Roberts led the prayers, Canon John Thurmer and the Revi David Newman read the

The Right Rev Keith Benzies, Bishop of Amstranams, gave an address and the Very Rev the Hon Hugh Dickinson, Dean of Salisbury, pronounced the blessing.

Latest wills

restored Sandycombe Lodge, designed by J.M.W. Turner (who lived there from 1812 to 1826), and

wrote studies of the artist's appreciation of music and verse,

eft estate valued at £160,804 net. Mrs Joan Cicely Conway, of Turville, Buckinghamshire, left

estate valued at £6,149,556 net. She left £3,000 to the Jewish Board of Guardians for Relief of the Jewish Pour.

Mr Leslie James Wilson, of

Mr David Francis Healy, of Richmond, Surrey, the American-born actor, who won the Olivier Award for Actor of the Year in a Supporting Role for his perfor-mance as Nicely-Nicely Johnson in the National Theatre production of Guys and Dolls, left estate valued at £149,860 met. •

Mrs Ann Livermore, of Sandycombe Lodge, St Margarets, Twickenham, west London, who Somerton, Somerset, managing director of Luisgate Airport, Bris-tol, left estate valued at £231,852 Other estates include (net, before

Margaret Katherine Lumsden Boyle, of Matfield, Kent 1623,304.

Mrs Betty Browne, of Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk 659,205. Mr Reginald Edward Cave, of Slough, Berkshire 5623,277.

Marriages

and Miss K.J. Parker The marriage took place quietly on Rebruary 3, 1996, at Mortlen Courage Register Office, London of Mr Francis Law, elder son of Lieutement Colonel and Mrs John Law, of Felizstowe Suffolk, and Miss Karen Parker, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs William Suffice of Rest London South Parker, of Bast London, South

Africal Brigadier A.H. Parker Bowles and Mrs RA. Pitman The marriage took place restorday in London between Brigadier An-duew Parker Bowles, OSE, and Mrs Rosemary Priman

Church news

The Rev Norman Price, Pri of St Edmondsbury Cathedral (St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich): to be The Rev Barry Rose, Vicar, Halstead w Greenstead Green: to be also Ritral Dean of Hinckford

Chelmstroid.
The Rev Stephen Seilly, Precentor of Canterbury Cathedral (Canterbury), to be Vicar, Fembury

(Rochester).
The Rev Anthony Ward, Curate.
Holy Trinity w St John, Leicester
(Leicester) to be Vivin D. (Leicester): to be Victor, Rainhiann w Wernsington (Chelmsford). The Rev Dennis Wight, Rector, Stoke Prior, Wychhold and Upton Warren: to be also Rural Dean of Dronwich (Worcest

Resignations and retiren The Ven Raymond Ravenscroft, Archdeacon of Curnwall, diocese Truro to retire September 30. The Rev David Baker, Rector, Festimum (Guildford): to retire Feb-

ruary 29.
The Rev Sally Davies, Assistant Curate, St Paul, East Molesey (Guildfurd): resigned January 14.
The Rev Frank Harris, Recognitions Blisland w St Breward (Truro): to

retire March 31.
The Rev Graham Hodge, Recor.
Chawton and Farringdon (Winchester): to retire March 31. The Rev Harry Jackson, Rector, Ash (Guildford): to retire April 7. Asia (Constitute to Fisher April 7.
Prebendary Dernit Jenkyos, Vicar,
St Mary, Kington; St Thomas a
Becket, Humington; St Stephea,
Old Radnor; St Mary, Kinnerton;
and St Michael and All Angels,
Knill (Hereford) and a Prebendary
of Hereford. Cathedral: 20 retire

or rierendu Cangenzar in Feure April 30 and be apppointed a Prebendary Emeritus. The Rev Kenneth Newbon: Rector, St Mary Magdalene, Eardisley, St Silas, Bollingham and Willersley. St Mary, Brilley, St Michael, Michaelchurch; St Peter and St Paul, Whitney; and St Michael and All Angels, Winkerton (Hereford): to retire March 31.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr T.W. Colborne Maips, and Miss C.S.B. Cavieze The engagement is announced

between Tom, son of Mrs Davidy.
Legar Parsons, of London, and take Mr J. F. Colborne-Malpas, and Caroline, youngest daughter of Mrs Rose-Marie Caviere Friedli of Erlenbach (ZH). Switzerland: Dr G.G.M. Edelsten and Miss J.F. Fankher The engagement is announced

and the marriage will take place shortly, between Geoffrey Edelsten, of Winchester, and Julie Hampshire. Mr I.W. Galvin Wright

and Miss C.L. Ross
The engagement is announced between Jonathon William your ger son of Mr Jeffrey Calvin Wright, of Oxshon, Surrey, and Mrs David Gordon, of Lines. kingswood, Surrey, and Charlotte Lucia, younger daughter of Mi-fohn Ross of Stogumber, Sones-set, and Mrs Regina Ross, of Gionavon Park, Bristot.

Mr.S.P.O. Hadson and Miss S. Ewers The engagement is aunomore between Stephen, only son of Mr. David Hudson, of Great Misserdien, Bockinghamshiri, and Mis Rosemary Hudson, of London, W2, and Sonja, only daughter of Herr and Frau Wolf-Deiter Essers, of Paderbonn

Mr J.M. Kenny and Miss K. Douglass
The engagement is announced
between Justin, cidest son at Arthur Kenny and Jennette Kenny of Newton St John, Nerfolk, and Katherine, daughter of Mr and Mrs William Douglass, of Eurob Springs, Arkansas, USA Mr A.G. Kierman

and Miss A.S. Goodwin The engagement is announced between Alexander Geoffrey, elecson of the late Mr G.P. Kierean and of Mrs A.C. Crane, and and of Mrs A.C. Crane, and Cockermouth, Combria, and Alexandra Spearer, only daughter of Mr and Mrs A. Goodwin of Cockermouth, Combria, and Zwolle, the Netherlands. Count Peter Szápácy

ami Miss S. van Riecf The engagement is amounted between Peter, younger son a Count and Counters Listed Szápáry, of Dobersberg, Austria. and Sylvia, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs. Too wan Kleel, of Bilthoven, The Netherlands, Mr. M.J.B. Watson and Mrs C.M. Stevenson

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The engagement is announced between Michael Watson and

University news standing service to Medical Lab-oratory Science (MSc). Dr Aim Reynolds, Chancellor of the City University of New York

(DSc).

Cambridge Fitzwilliam College

The following have been elected into Pellowships in Class C from October): Smart Junes McLebend BSc

(Hull), currently research student at Leeds University, for the perpose of research in geography; Emma Kathrine Widdis, MPhil (Peteriouse), currently research student at the Department of Stavonic Studies, Cambridge, for the purpose of research in Stavonic

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Mr Paddy Devlin, writer, trade unionist and politician (DUniv).

Ms Barbara Hosking, Director of Westcominy Television and radio broadcaster (DUniv).

Dr Alan Howard, authority on obesity and coronary heart disease (DSc).

Mr James McGuigan, for long-

in 1996, the university is signalling in 1990, the university is agreement its interest in good education at primary, secondary and territory levels by awarding Hosorary Degrees to the following exemplars in absention:

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Home Science and Higher Education cation for Women (DSc); Mr Eric Boyd, Hend of Music Service, North-Eastern Education & Library Board (MA); Mrs Denie; Ferran, Art and Design Education Officer. Ulster Museum (MEA); Ms Carmel Gallagher, NI Curriculum Council Professional; Officer (MEd); Ms Roisin Skeffington, primary school; teacher, Belfast (MEd); Dr Nicholas Todd, Head of Mathematics, Boyd, Head of Music Services,

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DEATHS

ARMSTROMG - On Sih February 1996 in Salisbury Hospital, Diama Frances of Godley Road, Harnham, Salisbury, Betoved wife of John and mother of Dimeas. Elizabeth and Andraw. Funeral Service at St Thomas' Courch, Salisbury on Tuesday 13th February 1996 at 1.30 pm. Floral House, 66 Winchester Street, Salisbury, Willia. Tel: 601722) 413136.

SARAMOON - Irene Amelia (née O'Sullivan) Secretary to Dr. Edith Ford and Herbert F. Collins at The British American Teacher Exchange

r. Colums at the British American Teacher Exchange Program of the ESU and its Hollywood. Executive Secretary to Frank Mancaso. Chairman and CEO of Paramount Pictures, died suddenly December 14th, Strivived by husband of 36

BONDY - Mrs Enther Bondy bassed away on the 6th February Mourned by her husband Professor A. Bondy and daughter Dr. S.I. Bondy.

BRADING - Ketth. C.S., M.B.E., on February 2nd 1995 peacefully, much loved hashead of Mary, formerly Chief Registrar of Friendly Societies. Private family cramation will be followed by a Service of Thablogaving at Grays Inn Chapel on Wednandsy 14th February at 5 pm. No flowers Basse but donation to R.N.L.L. would be much appreciated.

BUSHELL - Ronald David

EUSHELL - Ronald David Lestie stiddenly on February 2nd. beloved husband of Joyce and descent father of Helen. Funeral Service at Enfield Crematorium on Monday February 12th at 11.30 am. Family flowers only please but denations it destred to The British Heart Foundation.

COURDONN - William Alfred Lindsay of Shropham, Norfolk sped 86 years, devoted bushand, tather and practitative; Functual Service on Toesday February 13th at The City of Norwich Casthami Crematorium at 12 noun. Fioral sprays andy if desired to R.J. Bertram and Son Functual Directors. Wymondam, Norfolk,

The kingdom we are given is tunshakeable; let us therefore give thanks to God for R, and so worship God as he would be worshipped, with reverence and give.

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SABONGTON - On February 6th, to Lin tole Carney and lan, their iong awailed son, Jack, Many thanks to the medical team. Compressionations to the proud

Compressions to the parents parents.

BEDDULPH - To Ross and Michoel, on 1st February at Exeter, twin sons. Owein Thomas and Louis John. bruthers for Joseph. Olivia. Mark and Theo.

CHAPPELL - On 7th Petruary, to Ann and Paul, a daughter, Emily Claire, a sister for William, Victoria and Jonethan,

DAY - On ist February 1996 at The Royal Berkshire Homital Residing to Steven and Sarah. a beautiful daughter. Harriet Sarah.

FAWCETT - On 24th January, to Flona (née Westwater) and Richard, a son, Bill George and a daughter, Rosle Martha.

MOORE - On January 24th, to Jane (née Clarke) and Nicholas. a daughter, Charlotte Surah, a sister for

RAMPTON - On James Sth.

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(Agnes Latham, Reader in English at Bedford College, London, 1958-75, died in Pickering, North Yorkshire, on January 13 aged 90. She was born on January 31, 1905.

A SCHOLARLY woman born into an age which did not make life particularly easy for talents like hers. Agnes Latham will be best remembered as the editor of what is still the standard edition of the poems of Sir Walter Ralegh. Undertaken with no more than a year's research grant from the corporation of Wakefield (to whom eternal credit is due for their farsightedness), her edition of The Poems of Sir Walter Ralegh was published in 1929 and later reprinted. Although some of the poems she included have since been attributed to other authors, she was canny enough to disarm potential critics by noting her own reservations.

As remarkable as the edition itself from one so young as she then was - is her introduction to the volume. It demonstrates a scholarly but also instinctive insight into the fiery spirit of Ralegh and his age, and of the vagaries of life in the often dangerous royal circle. As she noted, the seaman, poet and chronicler "is yet a lonely and enigmatic figure. Of all those curious dead-and-gone folk. who hide we know not what of human passion and desire behind the scant memorials and alien manners of the sixteenth century, he is the n.d'i baffling ... He planned skiey palaces and mapped new worlds: and his contemporaries, of less vaulting mind, could make nothing of them. He was not a man of achievement but a man of promise, a quickening spirit. His world is, and was, the world of the creative

Agnes Latham was for thirty years after the war a much respected

AGNES LATHAM



teacher in the University of London. She also devoted years to an edition of Ralegh's letters which is being prepared for publication.

Agnes Mary Christabel Latham was one of three sisters, descended on their mother's side from the Booths, well known in Yorkshire as organ-builders. From Wakefield Girls High School she won an entrance scholarship to Oxford and read English

language and literature at Somerville, graduating with a first-class degree in 1926. She almost immedlately began work on her celebrated edition of Ralegh's poems. Notwith-

standing this feat, like so many

outstanding women scholars of her

generation, she found the university

teaching profession closed to her,

virtually until after the Second World

War - and an appointment to the

staff of Bedford College, London, in 1939 had to be held over until 1946. Meanwhile she taught in schools, which she probably found somewhat irksome although her pupils were undoubtedly very well instructed,

and those able to respond amazingly well-informed. In the 1930s, however, she had already begun work on an edition of Ralegh's letters, to replace and augment that of Edward Edwards published as long ago as 1868. After the war, first as a lecturer

and, from 1958, as Reader in English Literature at Bedford College, she continued, with the stimulus of university teaching and the accessibility of her main sources at the Public Record Office, the British Library and, most important of all, the Cecil papers at Hatfield House, to transcribe the letters in the elegant and legible hand which delighted those who corresponded with her to the end of her life.

In the 1970s she was invited to join a team led by Professor Pierre Lefranc of Laval University, Quebec, which was to prepare for publication, with support from the Canada Council, the whole of Ralegh's works. This brought her into touch with other North American Ralegh specialists such as Ernest Strathmann of California, and David Beers Quinn and the late Alison Quinn of the University of Liverpool. These were contacts she much enjoyed. They also provided her with the additional resources which enabled her to add substantially to her collection of letters many of them never before printed from repositories all over the northern hemisphere.

The demise of the Canadian project in 1975 left her free to complete her edition independently, which she aimed to do in retirement in her beloved Yorkshire. But with advancing years and beyond the easy reach of libraries she found the last lap beyond her. To her great joy, the completion and publication of her meticulously-edited texts are being undertaken at the University of Exet-

Ralegh was not her only concern. In fact, progress on the letters was held up while she prepared her text of As You Like It for the Arden Shakespeare series, published in 1975. This won her many new admirers and friends.

Agnes Latham must have appeared to many as reserved and to others as somewhat formidable. But to those who came to know her well she was delightful company, kind, generous, withy and a keen observer of the world from which she contrived to remain wonderfully detached. Her review of yet another biography of Sir Walter Ralegh

began, "It's that man again". She was a writer of great elegance with a prose style that became sparer yet even more pregnant as the years went by. Although a scholar's scholar she was also a natural literary journalist who communicated her meaning in short, pithy sentences. Characteristic of her powers of wry observation was a short essay on Ben Jonson which she contributed to The Times in 1963, and which concluded: "In Jonson a love of literature amounted to a passion. If he liked a poem he had it by heart and repeated it aloud at the least provocation. He tended to associate poetry with getting slightly drunk. It offered an experience at once real, immediate and exhilarating, a shared pleasure and not one to be pursued in drawing rooms.

Agnes Latham continued to the very end to attend and to chair WEA classes in Pickering, and in spite of increasing frailty she was an indefati-gable partaker in excursions into the North Yorkshire countryside. She never married.

SIR NEIL **LAWSON**

Sir Neil Lawson, Judge of the High Court of Justice, 1971-83, died in London on January 26 aged 87. He was born on April 8,

NEIL LAWSON believed in. and served, the rule of law. He was a vigorous and committed socialist in his personal life; in his professional role, as a junior and as a silk, he was a vital and ubiquitous advocate who was in demand from every sector of national and political life. His practice was enormous and his appetite for work commensurate with it.

Always in chambers before 7am, with the window wide open in mid-winter and his. door ajar, he would boast to the next arrival of the low cost of his "workman's ticket" (a ticket then available at cheap rate only to those who travelled to work very early) - all the time dispatching consultations at 20-minute intervals until the moment came, just before 10.30am, for him to leave for court in a blizzard of energy. His range of clients was

wide: ranging from Marlene Dietrich to the Electricians' Union (in the "ballot rigging" case) and from murderers of policemen to commercial instiutions. In the eastern world he made and retained a giant's reputation as adviser to the Sultan of Brunei, as a result of which the title of "Dato" was bestowed upon him on three separate occasions. With the Sultan's team in 1959 he undertook long and tough negotiations with the British Government, which resulted. in the transferring to the Sultan of full control over the internal affairs of Brunei. Previously, he had been constitutional adviser to eight rulers of the Malay States before their country acquired its independence as Maiaysia ffrom which Brunel wisely kept out) in 1957. Thereafter he helped to draft several contemporary constitutions, including those of Ghana, Uganda and Nigeria.

He was a prominent leftwinger of the 1930s. He conducted an inquiry into the Reichstag fire of 1933, which was credited with forcing the Nazis to release Georgi Dimitrov and his Bulgarian. colleagues before its conclusion. (It was a feat which, Lawson liked to recall, was acknowledged by his being granted the right to travel free on the transcars of Sofia for life.) He was a founder member of the National Council for Civil Liberties and, during the war, joined the Royal Air

Force Volunteer Reserve. Once the war was over returned to practise at the Bar, taking silk in 1955. After ten years as a leader he was an obvious choice as Sir Leslie Scarman's deputy on the founding of the Law Commis-sion, which he joined in 1965 and worked at tirelessly until

his appointment to the High



Court Bench in 1971. He was made an honorary fellow of the London School of Economics in 1974, partly in recognition of this work. After Scarman left the Law Commission, Lawson became its chairman and genuinely enjoyed the process of law re-form, although by no means always the committee system through which he had to operate. It was a time when governments acted on Law Commission proposals with more alacrity than later tended to be the case. Many effective reforms were made and several parliamentary Bills successfully enacted.

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The High Court Bench proved to be scarcely less eventful. Lawson's indepen-dence of spirit led him to criticise injustice wherever he saw it This caused him on occasions to remark unfavourably on the strict rules of precedent under which pulsne judges have to operate when dealing with decisions of the higher courts. But the same lack of respect for rank ensured a fair, if rapid, hearing for all comers to his court. There were no preconceptions there, except possibly for a sneaking affection for the underdog.

When he retired his output

of work, if anything, increased. Just as, when at the Bar (before legal aid) he was always willing in a proper case to act for nothing, and was in private life a generous man, so after his time on the Bench he declined private work and continued in public service for several years sitting as a Judge in Chambers in "Room 98" at the Royal Courts. of Justice

This was no Orwellian om of horrors for an underprepared advocate) but a place where he was able to indulge his intellectual speed and voracity for work. It was a period he later remembered as his happiest time as a Judee.

He is survived by his wife Gwen, a son and a daughter.

EDWARD GOODMAN

Edward Goodman. author, died on February 3 aged 81. He was born on January 13, 1915.

EDWARD GOODMAN liked to describe himself as an author, but his contribution to liberal thought - both with a capital "L" and a small one was much greater than that of the three books he wrote. As the founder of the Acton Society and a trustee of the Joseph Rowntree Social Service Trust he helped to put into practice his passionately held beliefs in the principles of individual freedom, toleration and decentralisation.

Edward Frederick Weston Goodman was the son of a successful estate agent who sent him to Mill Hill, then a strongly Nonconformist publif chool. It was here that he first developed his interest in politics and the League of Nations, However, Goodman was dissuaded from pursuing father who, suffering from illhealth, wanted help with the family business.

After a brief rebellion against parental wishes. when, on the outbreak of the Spanish Civil War, Goodman travelled to Spain - his father only discovered this when he

saw his son's byline in a newspaper - he reluctantly went into estate agency and qualified as a surveyor. This qualification, which in later life used rather to embarrass him, nonetheless enabled him not only to earn a comfortable living but was also responsible for him meeting Seebohm Rowntree, the man who was to transform his life. Rowntree, the scion of the

York chocolate manufacturer and dedicated philanthropist, spotted Goodman as a likely Liberal who could help his trust's property portfolio. In 1946 Goodman became a Rowntree trustee, and two years later he founded the Acton Society. This was intended to be a liberal version of the Fabians — a social research foundation which would propagate the ideas of Lord Acton, the 19th-century Cambridge historian, and attempt to reconcile Liberal. Marxist and Christian think- particularly in Government and industry.

The society's first work was study the newly-formed National Health Service and it produced a series of pamphlets on the composition of the boards and hospitals. It financed pioneering work on issues like local government and housing and in 1953 Goodman published his first book Forms of Public Control and Ownership.

In the 1950s Goodman, re-

gretting his lack of university education, enrolled at the London School of Economics where he came under the influence of Karl Popper and Lionel Robbins. He never took a degree, something which always saddened him, but was instead urged by Robbins to concentrate on his writing. In 1969 he published *The Impact* of Size, a book which developed many of the ideas popularised in E. F. Schumacher's Small is Beautiful, though where Schumacher had tended to focus on appropriate technologies. Goodman concentrated rather more on the types of organisational structure which would secure more meaningful work for individuals and a thriving industrial and commercial culture.

moved his home to Italy, a country whose regional government, civic pride, industrial structure and banking system he greatly admired. He was particularly interested in the role of the small firm in the Italian "economic miracle". But he remained an active

Rowntree trustee and, when the trust set up 9 Poland Street as a powerhouse for pressure group politics, he kept an office there. At this stage he also played a key role in setting up a study of toleration at York University.

Meanwhile, from his base in Italy, Goodman continued to write - often scribbling his ideas down on the back of envelopes in the middle of the night for a succession of research assistants to transcribe in the morning. In 1975 he published A Study of Liberty and Revolution, a book which attempted to resolve the conflict of modern industrial society with human values, and put forward a theory of liberty, first as a social philosophy, then as a force for social change. Despite a somewhat unor-

thodox personal life, Goodman remained a committed Anglican, struggling in Florence to go to church every Sunday, before his eventual return to Britain when symptoms of Parkinson's disease first began to show. Goodman also remained a committed Liberal and was amused just before his death by the suggestion that he had pioneered the concepts of stake-holding and communitarianism which



Tony Blair has recently made so fashionable. Edward Goodman was married and divorced twice.

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He is survived by a son and two daughters, and by his partner Gill Carter, with whom he lived for 18 years.

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Yours faithfully,
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SAM GREEN

dent of the International Inventors Federation. A man of many interests, a keen walker and cyclist. Green was also involved in founding the British Youth Hostel Movement.

Sam Green was born in the cotton town of Oldham, Lancashire, and started work at the age of 13 at Platt Bros. textile manufacturers. Having qualified both as an electrical and mechanical engineer, he became a draughtsman. In 1936 he invented the box motion of the four-colour automatic loom for the Northrop Loom Company.

As chief engineer of Betts & Co, London, in 1939 he put their factories on a war footing. In 1945 he joined the International Commercial Finance Corporation as an industrial adviser.

In 1952 Sir Walter Monckton, as Minister of Labour, appointed him managing di-rector of Remploy. He enlarged the company, introduced machinery to make work easier for the disabled and established an incentive scheme.

In 1961 he was appointed. CBE for his services to the. disabled. Four years later he became chairman of the Industrial Advisers to the Blind, and the Royal British Legion approached him to organise its Poppy Factory and Legion Industries in a similar manner to the work he had done at Remploy. Green was a director and

chairman of private and public companies. He never wished to retire and continued working in his electrical business until last October. He



maintained his interest in the disabled and inventions. He is survived by his wife and daughter.

ON THIS DAY

February 8, 1946

The war may have been over but the world food shortage clouded the peace. Butter, margarine and cooking fats were reduced from eight to seven ounces, and in May, for the first time, bread was rationed

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acreage of spring wheat as they can.

When the acreage payment for wheat was reduced, a wheat glut in the world markets was expected. The statisticians were wrong, and unless the Government moves speedily wheat that could and should be grown in England will never be planted. I am, Sir, yours faithfully

Wilcote House, Charlbury, Oxon., Feb. 5.

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Almost every Australian newspaper makes the Scitish food crisis the subject of its chief editorial to-day, orging Australians to limit their demands on their abundance in order to divert as much as possible to those whose needs are infinitely

possible to those whose needs are infinitely greater.

This, it is suggested, can be done by a number of measures—by tightening, the administration of rationing, especially of meat, of which at least as much should be seat to the United Kingdom as was being supplied to the American forces; by supplementing shipments of butter with useful supples of cooking fasts, which are daily wasted in Australia; by using substitute stock feeds and economizing in bread consumption to provide more wheat for export; and by reducing the existing rations of meat; sugar and butter.

Typical of the comments from public men is that of the Premier of Victoria, Mr. John Cain, who declared that the news that the limi-hearing people of the United Kingdom were to have their rations further curatiled was too fearful to contemplate, and he promised the Victorian Government would do everything it could no help them.

Substantial quantities of food, including meat, butter, cheese, and eggs were stored in Australia at the end of 1945 for shipment to the United Kingdom, and it is believed limit there is no reason why this food should not be exported immediately provided that shipping is available.

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NEWS

Blair puts hereditary peers on notice

■ Tony Blair yesterday put Britain's hereditary peers on notice to quit with his strongest pledge that a Labour Government would swiftly end a system under which people wielded power on the basis of birth but not merit or election.

He put forward a two-stage plan for reform of the House of Lords under which the right of some 750 hereditary peers to sit and vote in the Upper House would be scrapped in an early piece of constitutional legislation Pages 1, 11, 19

Top Foreign Office woman quits

■ Dame Pauline Neville-Jones, 56, the most senior woman in the Foreign Office, is to join the National Westminster Bank after rejecting two top posts - as ambassador to Bonn and special adviser to the Prime Minister. Her salary of £200,000 could be doubled by performance-related payments......Page 1

Lockerbie gesture

The people of Lockerbie, whose community was devastated by Britain's worst air disaster, have taken in hundreds of stranded motorists in a remarkable show of community spirit Pages L 5

Scott storm gathers Betty Bothroyd, the Speaker of

the Commons, stepped into the growing row over the Scott report by supporting Labour demands for an early sight of the 1,800page document...... Page 1

Crash jet uninsured A Boeing 757 which crashed off

the Dominican Republic killing all 189 on board was not properly insured and had not received formal authorisation to make the fatal flight..... .. Pages L 14

The Beast jailed

A rapist known as the Beast of Belgravia, who attacked a woman days after being discharged from a psychiatric unit, got five life sentences Page 3 Carling complaint

Lord Wakeham, chairman of the

Press Complaints Commission. has defended his decision to reject Julia Carling's complaint about privacy invasion... Page 5

Wrong Pole

American scientists have found that the much-photographed post used to mark the location of the South Pole has been stuck in the

Blurred culture

Schools must introduce nupils to high culture and help them to escape the creed that sees no difference between Schubert and Blur, the Government's chief curriculum adviser said Page 7

Heir to stay

Jav Khadka, 19, a former Nepalese mountain boy who is heir to an 18th-century English castle and a £1.5 million fortune, may have won his appeal against being deported

Taking the veil

After a lifetime trying to escape her father's bloody legacy. Svetlana Alliluyeva, Stalin's only daughter, may have found sanctuary for her soul in a Catholic convent

Film fraud

Germany's most adventurous maker of documentaries has been exposed - 22 of his scoops were staged with the help of disguised neighbours and friends.. Page 13 Jiang jitters

President Jiang Zemin of China is reported to be uneasy about jingoist leaders in the People's Liberation Army who are urging tough action against Taiwan Page 14

Man of the Right Pat Buchanan proclaimed him-

self the Republican Right's undisputed standard bearer after dealing Phil Gramm a crippling

Army recruits invited to stand easy

Lieutenant-General Hew Pike, who fought in one of the Falklands' toughest battles, told MPs that measures had been introduced to ensure recruits were not put off military life by an over-exuberant sergeant-major. He said: "We don't put them into boots straight away. We have less of a sink-or-swim



Friends of the Tate queueing in London yesterday for the Cezanne exhibition, which opens to the public today. Pages 1, 13, 18, 19, 33

BUSINESS

Railway setback: Negotiations over the £3 billion Channel Tunnel Rail Link contract have been set back by alleged financial irregularities at Union Railways, the com-

Lloyds Chemist A bid battle is under way for control of Lloyds Chemist with a £584 million bid from Gehe, the German pharmaceutical wholesaler, for the British chain. UniChem, which had made an agreed bid of £530 million, may top the offer

Markets: The FTSE-100 index chose to ignore another recordbreaking run on Wall Street and ended up 21.4 points down at 3.726.1. Sterling was down 0.5c against the dollar at \$1.5363 and up

Cricket: Robin Smith, the most pro-

lific run-scorer in England's World Cup party, may be out of the competition after damaging his groin during a practice match in _ Page 44

Football: Uefa and Europe's top clubs agreed to allow the eight leading nations an automatic second entry into an expanded European Cup... __ Page 44

Rugby union: Scotland, unbeaten after two matches, announced an unchanged side to play Wales in the five nations' championship in

Rugby league: Ellery Hanley, the former Great Britain captain and coach, is to join Sydney Tigers. His last competitive appearance was ten months ago...

Princese perfect: Best of the week's films is A Little Princess, from Frances Hodgson Burnett's classic. Also out are a gritty Spike Lee film,

Lee's night out. The comic Lee Evans has begun a run at the Lyric Theatre. "He seldom ventures far from Essex man's world," says Benedict Nightingale......Page 32

Cézarme du jour: To celebrate the Tate's exhibition, Richard Cork presents a daily choice of Cezanne's Jinx iffied: After cancelling one per-

formance when the tenor died and another when a blizzard struck, the New York Met staged Janáček's Makropulos Case with Jessye Norman in stunning form Page 33

IN THE TIMES

SWINGING TIMES Free 24-page guide to the 1996 Times MeesPierson Corporate Golf Challenge

Valerie Grove meets David Storey: Benedict Nightingale reviews

No tomb: Cemeteries all over London are out of room, Julia Liewellyn Smith reports Page 17 Playing the part: All actors are typecast to some extent. Their bod-

ing to terms with his injuries at Stoke Mandeville Page 16

Up and away: The travel industry is facing one of its toughest challenges: the premature enthusiasm of seasoned travellers and avid partygoers to celebrate the millenmun in style

The American share of the UN budget and peacekeeping costs is too high. Why not let Washington pay what it already owes as a precondition for a fairer assessment formula? The UN needs greater discipline about agreeing to costly new ventures, especially peacekeeping. Lack of real accountability and rigorous financial conteols in a multinational bureaucracy can only undermine

Preview: Derek Hatton reflects on life in and out of politics. My Brilliant Career (BBC2, 8pm). Review:

Blair's constitutional

The clearest water in British polinics now hes between the Labour and Conservative positions on the constitution. The question is whether Labour's proposals fit Britain's evolutionary tradition or represent a damaging upheaval ___ Page 19

Lilley's logic

If care is to be taken of the millions more who will be living on pensions in a generation's time then money needs to be put away. money the Government does not have. The best way to safeguard care is for individuals to make their

No other fruit

Paintings and sketches by Pani CA zanne - bright leaves in an artistic whirtwind - have come to the Tate Gallery in London. Visitors should reforce in the opportunity to revel in this art of many textures _ Page 19

WILLIAM REES-MOGG

The question of Bart's closure involves the choice between carass phe and an opportunity, between something much worse and something much better than we have at present. The orthodox view is that it is better to let the whole system break down Page 18

PETER RIDDELL

Both parties are claiming energe atedly that the constitution's survival depends on their victory. The Tories need to be less dogmatic and Labour has to address the flaws in

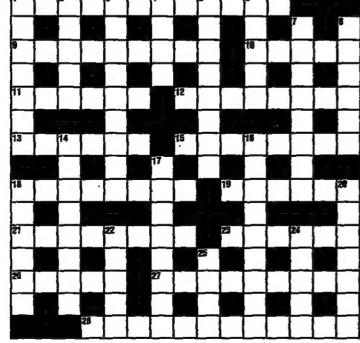
have been up Cezanne's ladder. It has an iffy rung. But I do not intend to tell you which one Page 8

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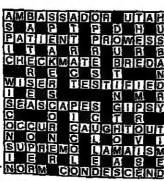
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THE TIMES CROSSWORD NO 20,085



- I High-rise building resulting in discord, in manner of speaking (5.2.5). 9 Put in new order to erect kitchen
- fireplace (9). 10 Man embracing girl. showing a
- peculiar expression (5).
- 11 A section's dab hands (6). 12 Was abusive like, essentially,
- dunderhead (8). 13 Break the rules in disappointing final (6).
- 15 Word of warning the players anticipate (S). 18 Stop a squat in a ground floor
- place (8). - 19 Barrer used in snack bar (6).
- 21 Free beer, alas, is apt to be
- cancelled (8). 23 Come close to emotional outburst
- in mass immersion (6).

Solution to Puzzle No 20,084



- 26 Pass 40, say (5). 27 End up fetching about a pound
- 28 He promotes a policy, and is
- brought in to support a point (12).

- I Violent storm split a party (7). 2 I and others find a short way to
- make cloth (5). 3 Drama over fairy queen being
- executed in novel setting (9). 4 Punitively charged, we hear, for
- bargain (4). 5 Dislike wrought iron vase (8). 6 Here's an example of how to do
- this (5). 7 Court official upholds mine workers (8).
- 8 In the centre of Maidstone one's got lost somehow (6).

14 Feathered bird show? (3,5).

- 16 Change in religious instruction due to scholarship (9). 17 Size of paper for comic that is a
- penny (8), 18 Tea-maker gives brother a jug (6). 20 Persecute soldiers in breach of
- duty (7). 22 Psychiatrist whose name Irene the
- adventuress dropped (5). 24 Motorway occupied by early
- morning in US city (5). 25 The colours fade (4).

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and Northern reland in the afternoon. Later in the evening, slest and snow will spread from the southwest. London, SE England, Central S England: fog clearing, but cloudy, some bright spells. Cold. Max 2C (36F). Wind east light becoming moderate southeast later.

across much of Scotland: Wintry showers will spread into western parts

CI E Angila, Midlands, NW England, Central N: fog slowly clearing, remaining cloudy. Cold. Max 1C (34F). Wind easterly light becoming moderate southeast later.

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Complementary medicine rules



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